

#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

## REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ)

## BLOOD RECOVERY AND/OR INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES

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#### 1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1.1 Scope of Work

The County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services (DHS or Department) is seeking qualified companies to enter into Master Agreements with the County to provide Blood Recovery and/or Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services on an asneeded basis at Olive View-UCLA Medical Center located at 14445 Olive View Drive, Sylmar, CA and any other Facility that will require these services during the term of any resultant Master Agreement from this RFSQ.

These services are currently provided to Olive View-UCLA Medical Center by a private firm under an Agreement that expires June 30, 2016. Volume metrics are provided below:

- Blood Recovery Services: Average number of cases is three (3) per month.
- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services: The number of cases per month varies. There were eight (8) cases in calendar year 2015.

The objective of this Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) is to secure multiple qualified Vendors to provide Blood Recovery and/or Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services as defined in Appendix H- Master Agreement, Exhibits A.1 and A.2 respectively. Vendors may submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to provide 1) Blood Recovery Services, 2) Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services, or 3) both Blood Recovery and Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services.

#### 1.2 Overview of Solicitation Document

This RFSQ is composed of the following parts:

- GENERAL INFORMATION: Provides background information on the services that DHS requires.
- INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS: Contains instructions to the Vendors in how to prepare and submit their SOQ.
- STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS –
   REVIEW/QUALIFICATION/SELECTION PROCESS: Explains how the
   SOQ will be reviewed, and a contractor will be qualified and selected.
- APPENDICES:
  - ➤ A REQUIRED FORMS: Forms contained in this section must be completed and included in each SOQ.

- ➤ B TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW: Transmittal sent to Department requesting a Solicitation Requirements Review pursuant to Section 2.4 of this RFSQ.
- C COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES POLICY OF DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS: County Code concerning how the County encourages business with small businesses, including preferences that these businesses may receive as part of the review process.
- ▶ D JURY SERVICE ORDINANCE: County Code Chapter 2.203, which mandates County contractors to provide specified jury service benefits to their employees.
- ➤ E LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY: Listing of Contractors who are not allowed to contract with the County for a specific length of time pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.
- F- IRS NOTICE 1015: Provides information on Federal Earned Income Credit which contractors contractually will be required to provide their employees.
- G SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: County program which requires contractors to notify their employees about State law on safe baby surrender.
- ➤ H MASTER AGREEMENT: The Master Agreement used for this solicitation. The terms and conditions shown in the Master Agreement are not negotiable.
- > I INTENTIONALLY OMITTED
- ▶ J- DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM: County Code Chapter 2.206, which requires contractors to keep County Property Taxes out of default status at all times during the term of an awarded Master Agreement.

#### 1.3 Terms and Definitions

Throughout this RFSQ, references are made to certain persons, groups, or Departments/agencies. For convenience, specific terms and definitions can be found in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Paragraph 2 - Definitions.

#### 1.4 Vendor's Minimum Qualifications

Interested and qualified Vendors that can demonstrate their ability to successfully provide the required services outlined in this Appendix H – Master Agreement, Exhibit A, General Statement of Work, and Exhibits A.1, Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work, and/or A.2, Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Statement of Work, as applicable, of this RFSQ are invited to submit an SOQ provided they meet the following requirements for one or both services below:

#### 1.4.1 Blood Recovery Services

The Vendor must have five (5) years' experience, within the last five (5) years providing Blood Recovery Services.

#### 1.4.2 Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services

The Vendor must have five (5) years' experience, within the last five (5) years providing Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services.

#### 1.5 Master Agreement Process

The Contractor's rates shall remain firm and fixed for the term of the Master Agreement.

#### 1.6 Master Agreement Term

- 1.6.1 The term of the Master Agreement shall be five (5) years. The County shall have the sole option to extend the Master Agreement for up to two (2) additional one-year periods and six (6) month to month extensions, for a maximum total Master Agreement term of seven (7) years and six (6) months. Option periods shall be exercised at the Department's discretion.
- 1.6.2 DHS will be continuously accepting SOQs throughout the duration of the Master Agreement to qualify additional Vendors. During the term of the Master Agreement, Master Agreements will become effective upon the date of execution by the Director of the Department of Health Services or designee for the remaining period of the initial five (5) years or option periods.

#### 1.7 County Rights and Responsibilities

The County has the right to amend the RFSQ by written addendum. The County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in the solicitation document and any authorized written addenda thereto. Such addendum shall be made available in the DHS Contracts and Grants Portal at http://cg.dhs.lacounty.gov/. Should such addendum require additional information not previously requested, failure to address the requirements of such addendum may result in the SOQ not

being considered, as determined in the sole discretion of the County. The County is not responsible for and shall not be bound by any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

#### 1.8 Contact with County Personnel

Any contact regarding this RFSQ or any matter relating thereto must be in writing and may be e-mailed as follows:

Emily Shorr e-mail address: eshorr@dhs.lacounty.gov

If it is discovered that a Vendor contacted and received information from any County personnel, other than the person specified above, regarding this solicitation, the County, in its sole determination, may disqualify their SOQ from further consideration.

#### 1.9 Mandatory Requirement to Register on County's WebVen

**Prior** to executing a Master Agreement, all potential Contractors <u>must register</u> in the County's WebVen. The WebVen contains the Vendor's business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at <a href="http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/">http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/</a>.

#### 1.10 County Option to Reject SOQs and/or Cancel Solicitation

The County may, at its sole discretion, reject any or all SOQs submitted in response to this solicitation and/or cancel this solicitation at any time, with or without cause. The County shall not be liable for any cost incurred by a Vendor in connection with preparation and submittal of any SOQ.

#### 1.11 Protest Process

- 1.11.1 Under Board Policy No. 5.055 (Services Contract Solicitation Protest), any prospective Vendor may request a review of the requirements under a solicitation for a Board-approved services contract, as described in Sub-paragraph 1.11.3 below. Additionally, any actual Vendor may request a review of a disqualification under such a solicitation, as described respectively in the Section below.
- 1.11.2 Throughout the review process, the County has no obligation to delay or otherwise postpone an award of a Master Agreement based on a Vendor protest. In all cases, the County reserves the right to make an award when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

#### 1.11.3 Grounds for Review

Unless state or federal statutes or regulations otherwise provide, the grounds for review of any Departmental determination or action should be limited to the following:

- Review of Solicitation Requirements Review (Reference Paragraph
   2.4 in the solicitation requirement review)
- Review of a Disqualified SOQ (Reference Paragraph 3.2 in the Review/Qualification/Selection Section)

#### 1.12 Notice to Vendor's Regarding Public Records Act

- 1.12.1 Responses to this RFSQ shall become the exclusive property of the County. At such time as when Department recommends the qualified Vendor(s) to the Board of Supervisors (Board) and such recommendation appears on the Board agenda, all SOQ's submitted in response to this RFSQ, become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each SOQ which are justifiably defined and identified by the Vendor as business or trade secrets, and if by the Vendor, plainly marked as "Trade Secret", "Confidential", or "Proprietary."
- 1.12.2 The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the SOQ as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception. The Vendor must specifically label only those provisions of their respective SOQ which are "Trade Secrets", "Confidential", or "Proprietary" in nature.
- 1.12.3 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of the SOQ marked "confidential," "trade secrets," or "proprietary," Vendor agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any action, proceedings, or liability arising in connection with the Public Records Act request.

#### 1.13 Indemification and Insurance

#### 1.13.1 Required Coverage

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the Indemnification provision, the General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage and the Insurance Coverage provisions as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Sub-paragraphs 8.27, 8.28 and 8.29.

#### 1.13.2 SPARTA Program

A County program, known as 'SPARTA' (Service Providers, Artisan and Tradesman Activities) may be able to assist potential Contractors in obtaining affordable liability insurance. The SPARTA Program is administered by the County's insurance broker, Merriwether & Williams Insurance Services.

For additional information, a Vendor may call (800) 420-0555 or may access the SPARTA website directly at <a href="https://www.2sparta.com">www.2sparta.com</a>.

#### 1.14 Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the State of California's Cal OSHA's regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

#### 1.15 Background and Security Investigations

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the Background and Security Investigations provision as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Subparagraph 7.5.

#### 1.16 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the Confidentiality provision Subparagraph 7.6 and the Independent Contractor Status Sub-paragraph 8.26 as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement.

#### 1.17 Conflict of Interest

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFSQ, or any competing RFSQ, nor any spouse or economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a Vendor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. The Vendor shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code by completing the Certification of No Conflict of Interest, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 3.

#### 1.18 Determination of Vendor Responsibility

- 1.18.1 A responsible Vendor is a Vendor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Vendors.
- 1.18.2 The Vendors are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Vendor is responsible based on a review of the Vendor's performance on any contracts, including but not limited to County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits, and evidence of false claims made by the Vendor against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of the subcontractors and of which the Vendor had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Vendor is not responsible.
- 1.18.3 The County may declare a Vendor to be non-responsible for purposes of this Master Agreement if the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, finds that the Vendor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Vendor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or omission which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- 1.18.4 If there is evidence that the Vendor may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence relating to the Vendor's responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Vendor be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Vendor and/or the Vendor's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Vendor should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Department's recommendation.
- 1.18.5 If the Vendor presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The final decision concerning the responsibility of the Vendor shall reside with the Board of Supervisors.

1.18.6 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of the Vendors on County contracts.

#### 1.19 Vendor Debarment

- The Vendor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Vendor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Vendor's existing contracts with the County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Vendor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Vendor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- 1.19.2 If there is evidence that the apparent highest ranked Vendor may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Vendor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Vendor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 1.19.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Vendor and/or the Vendor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Vendor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Vendor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
- 1.19.4 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

- 1.19.5 If a Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Vendor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Vendor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- 1.19.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Vendor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- 1.19.7 The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 1.19.8 These terms shall also apply to proposed subcontractors of the Vendors on County contracts.
- 1.19.9 Appendix E provides a link to the County's website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the Debarment List for Los Angeles County.

## 1.20 Vendor's Adherence to County Child Support Compliance Program

The Vendors shall 1) fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees; and 2) comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of

Assignment and continue to maintain compliance during the term of any Master Agreement that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. As set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, failure to comply may be cause for termination of a Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

#### 1.21 Gratuities

#### 1.21.1 Attempt to Secure Favorable Treatment

It is improper for any County officer, employee or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Vendor with the implication, suggestion or statement that the Vendor's provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Vendor in the award of a Master Agreement or that the Vendor's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Vendor's submission. A Vendor shall not offer or give either directly or through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of a Master Agreement.

#### 1.21.2 Vendor Notification to County

A Vendor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861 or <a href="https://www.lacountyfraud.org">www.lacountyfraud.org</a>. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Vendor's submission being eliminated from consideration.

#### 1.21.3 Form of Improper Consideration

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 1.22 Notice to Vendors Regarding the County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This ordinance, referred to as the "Lobbyist Ordinance", defines a County Lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the definition. The complete text of the ordinance can be found in County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation or other entity that seeks a County permit, license, franchise or contract must certify compliance with the ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it will be the responsibility of each

Vendor to review the ordinance independently as the text of said ordinance is not contained within this RFSQ.

Thereafter, each person, corporation or other entity submitting a response to this solicitation, must certify by completing and submitting the Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 4, that:

- ➤ The Vendor is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160;
- Each County Lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the Vendor is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code; and
- Each such County Lobbyist retained by the Vendor is **not** on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists as part of their SOQ.

#### 1.23 Federal Earned Income Credit

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements as set forth in the Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015. Reference Appendix F.

#### 1.24 Consideration of GAIN/GROW Participants for Employment

As a threshold requirement for consideration of a Master Agreement, the Vendors shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. The Vendors shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Vendor's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities. The Vendors who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for a Master Agreement.

The Vendors shall complete and return the form, Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 7, as part of their SOQ.

#### 1.25 County's Quality Assurance Plan

After award of a Master Agreement, the County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under the Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all terms in the Master Agreement and performance standards identified in the Statement of Work. The Contractor's deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may jeopardize performance of this Master Agreement will be reported to the County's Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate the Master Agreement in whole or in part, or impose other penalties as specified in the Master Agreement.

#### 1.26 Recycled Bond Paper

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the County's policy on recycled bond paper as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Sub-paragraph 8.43.

#### 1.27 Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Appendix G of this solicitation document and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

#### 1.28 County Policy on Doing Business with Small Business

- 1.28.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board of Supervisors encourages small business participation in the County's contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.
- 1.28.2 The Jury Service Program provides exceptions to the Program if a company qualifies as a Small Business. It is important to note that each Program has a different definition for Small Business. You may qualify as a Small Business in one Program but not the other. Further explanation of the Jury Service Program is provided in Paragraph 1.29 of this Section.

1.28.3 The County also has a Policy on Doing Business with Small Business that is stated in Appendix C.

#### 1.29 Jury Service Program

The prospective Master Agreement is subject to the requirements of the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance ("Jury Service Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Jury Service Ordinance, as set forth in Appendix D, and the pertinent jury service provisions as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Subparagraph 8.8, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFSQ. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their Subcontractors. SOQs that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

- 1.29.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their Subcontractors to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, "employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a Contractor and "full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program applies to all of a Contractor's full-time California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.
- 1.29.2 There are two ways in which a Contractor might not be subject to the Jury Service Program. The first is if the Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor". The Jury Service Program defines "Contractor" to mean a person, partnership, corporation of other entity which has a contract with the County or a Subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the Contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to Contractors that have 1) ten or fewer employees; and, 2) annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual

amount of this Master Agreement is less than \$500,000, <u>and</u>, 3) is not an "affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation". The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.

1.29.3 If a Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 8, and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the Contractor's application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Contractor falls within the definition of Contractor or meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County's decision will be final.

### 1.30 Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Prompt Payment Program

It is the intent of the County that Certified Local SBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County Departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

### 1.31 Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing Company

The Vendor shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of their company. This information shall be provided by the Vendor by completing the Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, as set forth in Appendix A - Required Forms Exhibit 1. Failure of the Vendor to provide this information may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration.

## 1.32 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (2 C.F.R. Part 376)

1.32.1 Pursuant to federal law, the County is prohibited from contracting with parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. At the time of SOQ submission, the Vendor must submit the Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility & Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tiered Covered Transactions, as set

forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 12, attesting that neither it, as an organization, nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees, or independent contractors is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Should the SOQ identify prospective subcontractors, or should the Vendor intend to use subcontractors in the provision of services under any subsequent contract, the Vendor must submit a certification, completed by each subcontractor, attesting that neither the subcontractor, as an organization, nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees or independent contractors is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts.

- 1.32.2 Failure to provide the required certification may eliminate the SOQ from consideration.
- 1.32.3 In the event that the Vendor and/or its subcontractor(s) is or are unable to provide the required certification, the Vendor instead shall provide a written explanation concerning its and/or its subcontractor's inability to provide the certification. The Vendor's written explanation shall describe the specific circumstances concerning the inability to certify. It further shall identify any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of the Vendor and/or subcontractor who is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Finally, the written explanation shall provide that person's or those persons' job description(s) and function(s) as they relate to the Master Agreement which is being solicited by this RFSQ.
- 1.32.4 The written explanation shall be examined by the County to determine, in its full discretion, whether further consideration of the SOQ is appropriate under the federal law.

### 1.33 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

The Contractor shall be required to comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) provision as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement, Sub-paragraph 8.25.

#### 1.34 County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

1.34.1 The prospective Master Agreement is subject to the requirements of the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program ("Defaulted Tax Program") (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Defaulted Tax Program Ordinance as set forth in Appendix J and the pertinent provisions of the Master Agreement, as set forth in

Appendix H, Sub-paragraphs 8.16, Contractor's Warranty of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program and 8.47, Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this solicitation. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both the Contractors and their Subcontractors.

- 1.34.2 The Vendors shall be required to certify that they are in full compliance with the provisions of the Defaulted Tax Program and shall maintain compliance during the term of any Master Agreement that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation or shall certify that they are exempt from the Defaulted Tax Program by completing the Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, as set forth in Appendix A Required Forms Exhibit 9. Failure to maintain compliance, or to timely cure defects, may be cause for termination of a Master Agreement or initiation of debarment proceedings against the noncompliant contractor (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202).
- 1.34.3 SOQ's that fail to comply with the certification requirements of the Defaulted Tax Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

#### 1.35 Intentionally Omitted

#### 1.36 Time Off For Voting

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

#### 2.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS

This Section contains key project dates and activities as well as instructions to the Vendors in how to prepare and submit their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ).

#### 2.1 County Responsibility

The County is not responsible for representations made by any of its officers or employees prior to the execution of the Master Agreement unless such understanding or representation is included in the Master Agreement.

#### 2.2 Truth and Accuracy of Representations

False, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with an SOQ shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the SOQ. The review and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

#### 2.3 RFSQ Timetable

#### The timetable for this RFSQ is as follows:

>	Release of RFSQ	03/15/16
>	Written Questions Due by 12 noon (Pacific Time)	03/22/16
>	Questions and Answers Released	03/28/16
>	Request for a Solicitation Requirements Review Due	03/29/16
>	SOQ due by 3:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)	04/11/16

SOQs that are submitted after the initial due date and time indicated above shall be considered for review at the convenience of the County. Once the County's needs are met, the solicitation will be suspended. The solicitation will be re-opened if the County needs additional Contractors.

#### 2.4 Solicitation Requirements Review

Any person or entity may seek a Solicitation Requirements Review by submitting Appendix B - Transmittal Form to Request a Solicitation Requirements Review to the Department conducting the solicitation as described in this Section. A request for a Solicitation Requirements Review may be denied, in the Department's sole discretion, if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

- 1. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review is made within ten (10) business days of the issuance of the solicitation document.
- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review includes documentation which demonstrates the underlying ability of the person or entity to submit a SOQ.
- The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review itemizes in appropriate detail each matter contested and factual reasons for the requested review; and
- 4. The request for a Solicitation Requirements Review asserts either that:
  - a. application of the minimum requirements, review criteria and/or business requirements unfairly disadvantages the person or entity; or,
  - b. due to unclear instructions, the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from prospective Vendor.

The Solicitation Requirements Review shall be completed and the Department's determination shall be provided to the requesting person or entity, in writing, within a reasonable time prior to the SOQ due date.

#### 2.5 Vendors' Questions

The Vendors may submit written questions regarding this RFSQ by e-mail to the individual identified below. All questions submitted will be compiled without identifying the submitting Vendors and, along with the appropriate answers, will be issued as an addendum to the RFSQ and made available in the DHS Contracts and Grants Portal at <a href="http://cg.dhs.lacounty.gov/">http://cg.dhs.lacounty.gov/</a>.

When submitting questions, please specify the RFSQ section number, paragraph number, and page number and quote the language that prompted the question. This will ensure that the question can be quickly found in the RFSQ. The County reserves the right to group similar questions when providing answers.

Questions may address concerns that the application of minimum requirements, review criteria and/or business requirements would unfairly disadvantage the Vendors or, due to unclear instructions, may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses from the Vendor.

Questions should be addressed to:

Emily Shorr e-mail address: eshorr@dhs.lacounty.gov

Any questions regarding the RFSQ process after the initial due date and time may be submitted to the contact person listed above.

#### 2.6 Intentionally Omitted

#### 2.7 Preparation and Format of the SOQ

All SOQs must be bound and submitted in the prescribed format. If submitting the SOQ in multiple ring binders, the maximum acceptable size of the binder is 2 inches. Any SOQ that deviates from this format may be rejected without review at the County's sole discretion.

The content and sequence of the SOQ must be as follows:

- Table of Contents
- Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)
- Required Forms (Section B)
- Proof of Insurability (Section C)
- Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (2 C.F.R. Part 376) (Section D)
- Financial Capability (Section E)

#### 2.7.1 Table of Contents

The Table of Contents must be a comprehensive listing of material included in the SOQ. This section must include a clear definition of the material, identified by sequential page numbers and by section reference numbers.

#### 2.7.2 Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)

Demonstrate that the Vendor's organization has the experience to perform the required services. The following sections must be included:

### A. Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit and Required Support Documentation (Section A.1)

The Vendor shall complete, sign and date the Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 1. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor and to bind the Vendor in a Master Agreement.

Taking into account the structure of the Vendor's organization, the Vendor shall determine which of the below referenced supporting documents the County requires. If the Vendor's organization does

not fit into one of these categories, upon receipt of the SOQ or at some later time, the County may, in its discretion, request additional documentation regarding the Vendor's business organization and authority of individuals to sign Agreements.

If the below referenced documents are not available at the time of SOQ submission, the Vendors must request the appropriate documents from the California Secretary of State and provide a statement on the status of the request.

#### **Required Support Documents:**

#### **Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):**

The Vendor must submit the following documentation with the SOQ:

- A copy of a "Certificate of Status" issued by the State of California

   Secretary of State.
- 2) A conformed copy of the most recent "Statement of Information" as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers. If the most recent Statement of Information states "no changes", then in addition to the Statement of Information with "no changes", supply the most recent version that actually lists corporate officers and directors or members and managers.

#### **Limited Partnership:**

The Vendor must submit a conformed copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.

#### B. Vendor's Background and Experience (Section A.2)

Provide a summary of relevant background information to demonstrate that the Vendor meets the minimum qualifications stated in Subparagraph 1.4.1 and/or 1.4.2 of this RFSQ and has the capability to perform the required services as a corporation or other entity.

#### C. Vendor's References (Section A.3)

The Vendor must provide three (3) references for Blood Recovery and/or Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services where the same or similar services were provided by completing the Prospective Contractor References, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 2. Three references are required for each service for which the Vendor

is submitting an SOQ. However, the same reference can be used to qualify for both services if the Vendor provides or provided both services to such reference. If a reference is being used to qualify for both services, Vendor must indicate as such as is required in Exhibit 2.

It is the Vendor's sole responsibility to ensure that the firm's name, and point of contact's name, title and phone number for each reference is accurate. The County may disqualify a Vendor if:

- references fail to substantiate the Vendor's description of the services provided; or
- references fail to support that the Vendor has a continuing pattern of providing capable, productive and skilled personnel; or
- the Department is unable to reach the point of contact with reasonable effort. It is the Vendor's responsibility to inform the references' point of contact of the County's normal working hours – Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. local time.

#### 2.7.3 Required Forms (Section B)

Include the following forms as provided in Appendix A – Required Forms. Complete, sign and date all forms.

Exhibit 3	Certification of No Conflict of Interest			
Exhibit 4	Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification			
Exhibit 5	CBE Firm/Organization Information			
Exhibit 6	Vendor's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Certification			
Exhibit 7	Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants			
Exhibit 8	County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program Certification Form and Application for Exception			
Exhibit 9	Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program			
Exhibit 10	Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule (if applicable)			
Exhibit 11	Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Rate Schedule (if applicable)			

#### 2.7.4 Proof of Insurability (Section C)

The Vendor must provide proof of insurability that meets all insurance requirements as set forth in the Appendix H - Master Agreement, Subparagraphs 8.28 and 8.29. If a Vendor does not currently have the required coverage, a letter from a qualified insurance carrier indicating a willingness to provide the required coverage should the Vendor be selected to receive a Master Agreement award may be submitted with the SOQ.

## 2.7.5 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (2 C.F.R. Part 376) (Section D)

Complete the Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 12. If the Vendor and/or its subcontractor(s) is or are unable to certify to any of the statements in this Certification, the Vendor shall attach a written explanation to its SOQ in lieu of submitting this Certification. Follow instructions provided in Number 9 of the Certification Form.

#### 2.7.6 Financial Capability (Section E)

Provide copies of the company's most current and prior two (2) years (for example 2014, 2013 and 2012) financial statements. Statements should include the company's assets, liabilities and net worth. At a minimum, include the Balance Sheet (Statement of Financial Positions), Income Statement (Statement of Operations), and the Retained Earnings Statement. If audited statements are available, these should be submitted to meet this requirement. Do not submit Income Tax Returns to meet this requirement. Financial statements will be kept confidential if so stamped on each page.

#### 2.8 SOQ Submission

The original SOQ and two (2) numbered copies shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the Vendor and bear the words:

"SOQ FOR BLOOD RECOVERY AND/OR INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES"

The SOQ and any related information shall be delivered or mailed to:

Department of Health Services
Contracts & Grants Division
313 North Figueroa Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor East
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attn: Emily Shorr, Contract Analyst

It is the sole responsibility of the submitting Vendor to ensure that its SOQ is received before the submission deadline identified in Paragraph 2.3. Submitting Vendors shall bear all risks associated with delays in delivery by any person or entity, including the U.S. Mail. No facsimile (fax) or electronic mail (e-mail) copies will be accepted.

SOQs that are submitted after the initial due date and time indicated in Paragraph 2.3 shall be considered for review at the convenience of the County.

#### 2.9 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions of Master Agreement

The Vendors understand and agree that submission of the SOQ constitutes acknowledgement and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all terms and conditions as set forth in Appendix H - Master Agreement.

#### 2.10 SOQ Withdrawals

The Vendor may withdraw its SOQ at any time prior to the date and time which is set forth herein as the deadline for acceptance of SOQs, upon written request for same to:

Department of Health Services Contracts & Grants Division 313 North Figueroa Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor East Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attn: Emily Shorr, Contract Analyst

#### 3.0 SOQ REVIEW/QUALIFICATION/SELECTION PROCESS

#### 3.1 Review Process

SOQs will be subject to a detailed review by qualified County staff. The review process will include the following steps:

#### 3.1.1 Adherence to Minimum Qualifications

The County shall review the Vendor's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit, as set forth in Appendix A – Required Forms Exhibit 1, and determine if the Vendor meets the minimum qualifications as outlined in Paragraph 1.4 of this RFSQ.

Failure of the Vendor to comply with the minimum qualifications may eliminate its SOQ from any further consideration. The Department may elect to waive any informality in an SOQ if the sum and substance of the SOQ is present.

SOQs that are submitted after the initial due date and time indicated in Paragraph 2.3 shall be considered for review at the convenience of the County.

#### 3.1.2 Vendor's Qualifications (Section A)

The County's review shall include the following:

- The Vendor's Background and Experience as provided in Section A.2 of the SOQ.
- The Vendor's References as provided in Section A.3. The review will include verification of references submitted, a review of the County's Contract Database, if applicable, and the Contractor Alert Reporting Database (CARD) reflecting past performance history on the County contracts.

#### 3.1.3 Required Forms (Section B)

All forms listed in Section 2, Sub-paragraph 2.7.3 must be included in Section B of the SOQ.

#### 3.1.4 Proof of Insurability (Section C)

Review the proof of insurability provided in Section C of the SOQ.

## 3.1.5 Certification Regarding Debarment Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions (2 C.F.R. Part 376) (Section D)

The Vendor's Certification Form in Section D will be reviewed to determine if the appropriate authorized representative of the Vendor signed the form. If the Vendor submitted a written explanation in lieu of the Certification Form, written explanation will be reviewed with the appropriate County personnel to determine whether further consideration of the SOQ is appropriate under the federal law.

#### 3.1.6 Financial Capability (Section E)

Review the Financial Information provided in Section E of the SOQ.

#### 3.2 Disqualification Review

An SOQ may be disqualified from consideration because DHS determined it was non-responsive at any time during the review process. If DHS determines that an SOQ is disqualified due to non-responsiveness, DHS shall notify the Vendor in writing.

Upon receipt of the written determination of non-responsiveness, the Vendor may submit a written request for a Disqualification Review within the timeframe specified in the written determination.

A request for a Disqualification Review may, in DHS's sole discretion, be denied if the request does not satisfy all of the following criteria:

- 1. The person or entity requesting a Disqualification Review is a Vendor;
- 2. The request for a Disqualification Review is submitted timely (i.e., by the date and time specified in the written determination); and
- 3. The request for a Disqualification Review asserts that DHS's determination of disqualification due to non-responsiveness was erroneous (e.g. factual errors, etc.) and provides factual support on each ground asserted as well as copies of all documents and other material that support the assertions.

The Disqualification Review shall be completed and the determination shall be provided to the requesting Vendor, in writing, prior to the conclusion of the review process.

#### 3.3 Qualification/Selection Process

The Vendors who are notified by DHS that they appear to have the necessary qualifications and experience (i.e., they are qualified) may still not be recommended for a Master Agreement if other requirements necessary for award have not been

met. Other requirements may include acceptance of the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement, and/or satisfactory documentation that required insurance will be obtained. Only when all such matters have been demonstrated to DHS's satisfaction can a Vendor, which is otherwise deemed qualified, be regarded as "selected" for recommendation of a Master Agreement\*.

DHS will execute Board of Supervisors-authorized Master Agreements with each selected the Vendor. All Vendors will be informed of the final selections.

\*If a Vendor qualifies and is selected to provide only one service under a resultant Master Agreement from this RFSQ, the Master Agreement will reflect such service the Vendor may provide and the non-applicable service statement of work and rate schedule will be intentionally omitted.

#### APPENDIX A

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

#### REQUIRED FORMS

#### **FOR**

## REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFSQ)

Available only as electronic fillable forms in the DHS Contracts and Grants Portal at <a href="http://cg.dhs.lacounty.gov/">http://cg.dhs.lacounty.gov/</a>

Note: To use the fillable form features in the Word document forms, you must restrict editing in the developer tab prior to filling in the form.

### TRANSMITTAL FORM TO REQUEST A RFSQ SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

A Solicitation Requirements Review must be received by the County within 10 business days of issuance of the solicitation document

Ve	endor Name:	Date of Request:		
Pr	oject Title:	Project No.		
	Solicitation Requirements Review is being eing unfairly disadvantage for the following rea	requested because the Vendor asserts that they are ason(s): (check all that apply)		
	Application of Minimum Requirements			
	□ Application of <b>Business Requirements</b>			
	Due to <b>unclear instructions</b> , the process may result in the County not receiving the best possible responses			
	inderstand that this request must be received licitation document.	by the County within 10 business days of issuance of the		
	or each area contested, Vendor must explain i ttach additional pages and supporting docum	n detail the factual reasons for the requested review. entation as necessary.)		
Re	equest submitted by:			
<u>(N</u>	lame)	(Title)		
	For Count	y use only		
Da	ate Transmittal Received by County:	Date Solicitation Released:		
Re	eviewed by:			
Re	esults of Review - Comments:			
— Da	ate Response sent to Vendor:			

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES POLICY ON DOING BUSINESS WITH SMALL BUSINESS

Forty-two percent of businesses in Los Angeles County have five or fewer employees. Only about four percent of businesses in the area exceed 100 employees. According to the Los Angeles Times and local economists, it is not large corporations, but these small companies that are generating new jobs and helping move Los Angeles County out of its worst recession in decades.

#### WE RECOGNIZE....

#### The importance of small business to the County. . .

- in fueling local economic growth
- providing new jobs
- creating new local tax revenues
- offering new entrepreneurial opportunity to those historically under-represented in business

#### The County can play a positive role in helping small business grow. . .

- as a multi-billion dollar purchaser of goods and services
- as a broker of intergovernmental cooperation among numerous local jurisdictions
- by greater outreach in providing information and training
- by simplifying the bid/proposal process
- by maintaining selection criteria which are fair to all
- by streamlining the payment process

#### WE THEREFORE SHALL:

- 1. Constantly seek to streamline and simplify our processes for selecting our vendors and for conducting business with them.
- 2. Maintain a strong outreach program, fully-coordinated among our departments and districts, as well as other participating governments to: a) inform and assist the local business community in competing to provide goods and services; b) provide for ongoing dialogue with and involvement by the business community in implementing this policy.
- 3. Continually review and revise how we package and advertise solicitations, evaluate and select prospective vendors, address subcontracting and conduct business with our vendors, in order to: a) expand opportunity for small business to compete for our business; and b) to further opportunities for all businesses to compete regardless of size.
- 4. Insure that staff who manage and carry out the business of purchasing goods and services are well trained, capable and highly motivated to carry out the letter and spirit of this policy.

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#### 2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
  - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
  - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
  - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
  - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
  - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
  - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
  - 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
  - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
  - The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
  - 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

- 1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
- 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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#### 2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
  - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
  - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
  - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

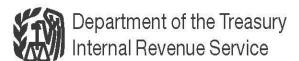
# LISTING OF CONTRACTORS DEBARRED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

List of Debarred Contractors in Los Angeles County may be obtained by going to the following website:

http://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov//DebarmentList.htm

#### **IRS NOTICE 1015**

(Obtain latest version from IRS website) http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/n1015.pdf



#### Notice 1015

(Rev. December 2015)

# Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

#### What is the EIC?

The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

#### Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?

You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whose wages you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

**Note:** You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2015 are less than \$53,267 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

#### How and When Must I Notify My Employees?

You must give the employee one of the following:

- The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of Copy B.
- A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee's copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
- Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
- Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you give an employee a Form W-2 on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee's copy. If you give an employee a substitute Form W-2, but it does not have the required information, you must notify

the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 8, 2016.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by first-class mail to the employee's last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can download copies of the notice at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/orderforms">www.irs.gov/orderforms</a> to order it.

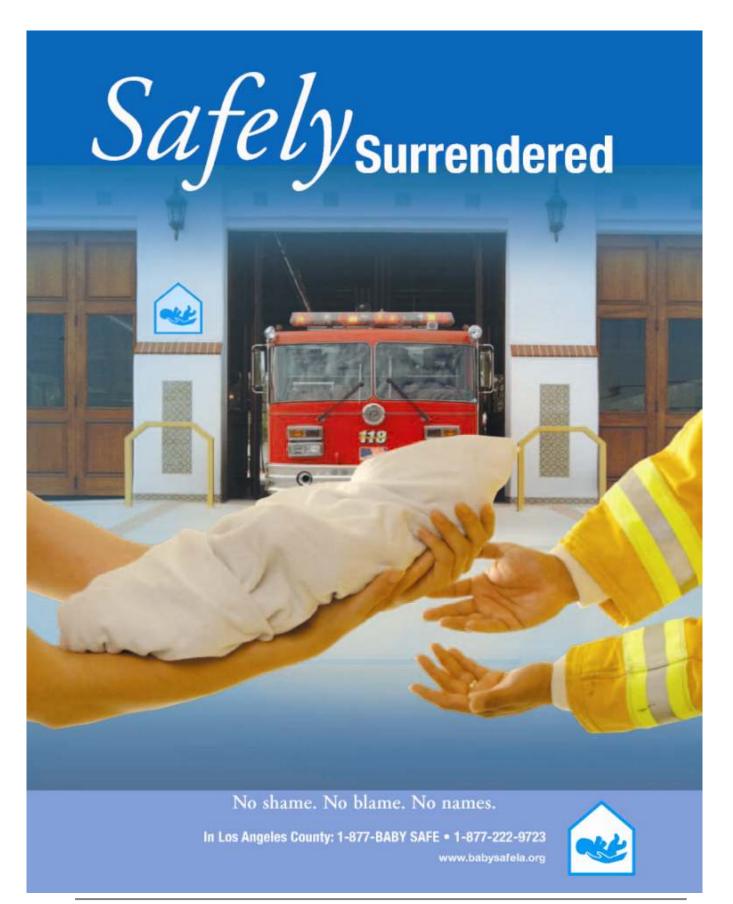
## How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?

The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797. For more detailed information, the employee needs to see Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC), or the instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ.

#### How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?

An eligible employee claims the EIC on his or her 2015 tax return. Even an employee who has no tax withheld from wages and owes no tax may claim the EIC and ask for a refund, but he or she must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2015 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of \$800, he or she must file a 2015 tax return to get the \$800 refund.

Notice **1015** (Rev. 12-2015) Cat. No. 205991



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# Safely Surrendered Baby Law

#### What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

#### How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

## What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

## Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

# Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

# Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

#### What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

## What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

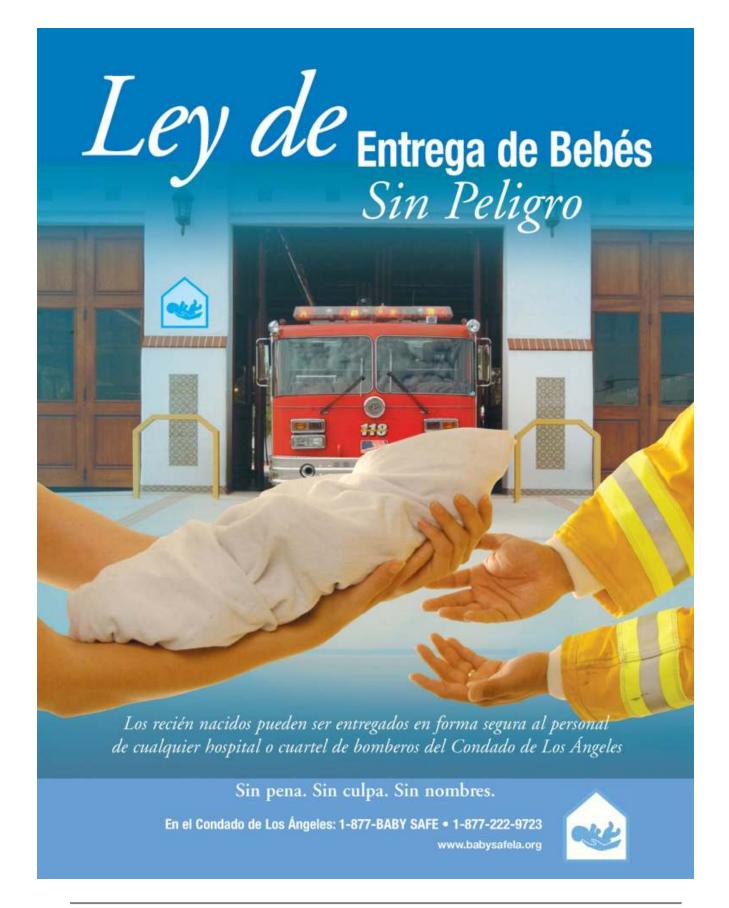
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

#### Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

## A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



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# Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

#### ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin
Peligro de California permite la
entrega confidencial de un recién
nacido por parte de sus padres u
otras personas con custodia legal,
es decir cualquier persona a quien
los padres le hayan dado permiso.
Siempre que el bebé tenga tres
días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y
no haya sufrido abuso ni
negligencia, pueden entregar al
recién nacido sin temor de ser
arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

#### ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

### ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

### ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

#### ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

#### ¿Es necesario que el padre/ madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

### ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

### ¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no scan abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

### Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

#### **APPENDIX H**

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT



# MASTER AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

AND

(CONTRACTOR)

FOR BLOOD RECOVERY AND INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES

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# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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#### **FOR**

# BLOOD RECOVERY AND INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES

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#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for Blood Recovery and Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Blood Recovery and/or Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services; and

WHEREAS, this Master Agreement is therefore authorized under California Codes, Government Code Section 31000 which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to contract for medical services; and Chapter 2.121 of the Los Angeles County Code does not apply to these services for which the County is contracting, pursuant to section 2.121.250(B)(4), as these services are only needed on a part-time or intermittent basis.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director of the Department of Health Services or designee to execute and administer this Master Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

#### 1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, A.1, A.2, B.1, B.2, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K are attached to and form a part of this Master Agreement. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Master Agreement and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Master Agreement and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority:

#### Standard Exhibits:

- 1.1 EXHIBIT A General Statement of Work
   Attachment A- Contractor Discrepancy Report
- 1.2 EXHIBIT A.1 Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work
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#### **Unique Exhibits:**

- 1.12 EXHIBIT I "Business Associate" Under the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)
- 1.13 EXHIBIT J Intentionally Omitted
- 1.14 EXHIBIT K Medical Health Screening

#### 2.0 **DEFINITIONS**

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1 Active Contractor: Identifies a Qualified Contractor who is in compliance with the terms and conditions and whose evidence of insurance requirements have all been received by the Department and are valid and in effect at the time the Master Agreement is executed. As used herein, the terms Active Contractor and Contractor may be used interchangeably throughout this document.
- **2.2 Blood Recovery Services:** Services defined and outlined in Exhibit A.1.
- **2.3 Contractor's Project Manager:** The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Master Agreement operations after the Master Agreement award.
- **2.4 County's Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD):** Person designated by Director with authority to negotiate and recommend all changes on behalf of the County.
- **2.5 Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- **2.6 DHS:** Department of Health Services
- **2.7 Director:** Director of the Department of Health Services or his/her authorized designee.
- **2.8 Facility:** Medical Centers, Health Centers, or Outpatient Centers all within Department of Health Services.
- **2.9 Facility's Project Manager:** Person designated as chief contact person with respect to the day-to-day administration of the Master Agreement at the respective Facility.
- **2.10 Fiscal Year:** The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- **2.11 Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services:** Services defined and outlined in Exhibit A.2.
- **2.12 Master Agreement:** County's standard agreement executed between the County and individual Contractors. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of the

- General Statement of Work, Exhibit A and Exhibits A.1 Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work and A.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Statement of Work.
- **2.13 Personnel:** Whenever referred to in this Master Agreement shall mean Contractor's personnel unless otherwise specified. May also be referred to as Contractor's staff or Contractor's employee.
- **2.14 Qualified Contractor:** A Contractor who has submitted a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to the County's Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ); has met the minimum qualifications listed in the RFSQ, and has an executed Master Agreement with the Department of Health Services.
- **2.15** Request For Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ): A solicitation based on establishing a pool of Qualified Vendors to provide services through Master Agreements.
- **2.16 Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):** A Contractor's response to an RFSQ.
- **2.17 Statement of Work:** A written description of tasks and/or deliverables desired by the County.

#### 3.0 **WORK**

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth herein.
- 3.2 If the Contractor provides any task, deliverable, service, or other work to the County other than as specified in this Master Agreement, the same shall be deemed a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor for which the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

#### 4.0 TERM OF MASTER AGREEMENT

- 4.1 This Master Agreement is effective upon the date of its execution by the Director of DHS or his/her designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors. This Master Agreement shall expire on June 30, 2021 unless sooner extended or terminated, in whole or in part, as provided herein.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend the Master Agreement term for up to two (2) additional one-year periods and six (6) month to month extensions, for a maximum total Master Agreement term of seven (7) years and six (6) months. Each such

- option and extension shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the Director or his/her designee as authorized by the Board of Supervisors in accordance with Sub-paragraph 8.1 Amendments.
- 4.3 The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise an Agreement term extension option.
- 4.4 The Contractor shall notify DHS when this Master Agreement is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the DHS at the address herein provided in Exhibit C County's Administration.

#### 5.0 BILLING AND PAYMENT

- 5.1 All billings by Contractor for services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be in accordance with the terms, conditions, and rates set forth in Exhibit B.1- Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule and Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Rate Schedule, as applicable, and elsewhere in this Master Agreement.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.

#### 5.3 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/ Termination of Master Agreement

The Contractor shall have no claim against the County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify the County and shall immediately repay all such funds to the County. Payment by the County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Master Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the County's right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision

shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Master Agreement.

#### 5.4 Invoices and Payments

- The Contractor shall invoice the County in arrears only for 5.4.1 providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A - General Statement of Work, Exhibit A.1- Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work and Exhibit A.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Statement of Work, as applicable, and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Master Agreement. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in Exhibit B.1-Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule and Exhibit B.2-Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Rate Schedule, as applicable, and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.
- 5.4.2 The Contractor's invoices shall be priced in accordance with Exhibit B.1- Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule and Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Rate Schedule, as applicable.
- 5.4.3 The Contractor's invoices shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable details of the services for which claim is made including:
  - Description of services performed.
  - Date(s) of service.
  - Arrival and departure time of Contractor's Personnel.
  - Name of County patient.
  - Patient's County medical record number.
  - All charges and credits shall be itemized and shall match the services and corresponding compensation rates in Exhibit B.1- Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule and Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Rate Schedule, as applicable.

- 5.4.4 The Contractor shall submit the monthly invoices to the County by the 15<sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
- 5.4.5 All invoices under this Master Agreement shall be submitted in two (2) copies to the respective Facility address indicated in Exhibit C County's Administration.

#### 5.4.6 County Approval of Invoices

All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the Facility's Project Manager prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.

## 5.4.7 Local Small Business Enterprises (SBE) – Prompt Payment Program (if applicable)

Certified Local SBEs will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

#### 6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - COUNTY

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

The Director shall have the authority to administer this Master Agreement on behalf of the County. The Director retains professional and administrative responsibility for the services rendered under this Master Agreement. A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following Sub-paragraphs are designated in Exhibit C – County's Administration. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

#### 6.1 County's Master Agreement Program Director (MAPD)

The MAPD has the authority to negotiate, recommend all changes to this Master Agreement, and resolve disputes between the DHS and the Contractor.

#### 6.2 Intentionally Omitted

#### 6.3 Facility's Project Manager

Each Facility's Project Manager is the County's chief contact person for his/her Facility with respect to the day-to-day administration for the respective services of this Master Agreement.

The Facility's Project Manager is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement and is not authorized to further obligate the County in any respect whatsoever.

## 7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT - CONTRACTOR

#### 7.1 Contractor's Project Manager

- 7.1.1 The Contractor's Project Manager is designated in Exhibit D Contractor's Administration. The Contractor shall notify the County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contractor's Project Manager.
- 7.1.2 The Contractor's Project Manager shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Master Agreement and shall coordinate with the Facility's Project Manager on a regular basis.

#### 7.2 Contractor's Authorized Official(s

- 7.2.1 The Contractor's Authorized Official(s) are designated in Exhibit D Contractor's Administration. The Contractor shall promptly notify the County in writing of any change in the name(s) or address(es) of the Contractor's Authorized Official(s).
- 7.2.2 The Contractor represents and warrants that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide actual authority to such officials to execute documents under this Master Agreement on behalf of the Contractor.

#### 7.3 Approval of Contractor's Staff

The County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's staff performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's staff, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's Project Manager.

#### 7.4 Contractor's Staff Identification

- 7.4.1 All of the Contractor's employees assigned to County facilities are required to have a County Identification (ID) badge on their person and visible at all times. The Contractor bears all expense of the badging.
- 7.4.2 The Contractor is responsible to ensure that employees have obtained a County ID badge before they are assigned to work in a County facility. The Contractor personnel may be asked to leave a County facility by a County representative if they do not have the proper County ID badge on their person.
- 7.4.3 The Contractor shall notify the County within one business day when staff is terminated from working under this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has terminated employment with the Contractor.
- 7.4.4 If the County requests the removal of the Contractor's staff, the Contractor shall retrieve and return an employee's ID badge to the County on the next business day after the employee has been removed from working on the County's Master Agreement.

#### 7.5 Background and Security Investigations

- 7.5.1 All Contractor staff performing work under this Master Agreement shall undergo and pass, to the satisfaction of the County, a background investigation as a condition of beginning and continuing to work under this Master Agreement. The County shall use its discretion in determining the method of background clearance to be used, which may include but is not limited to fingerprinting. The County shall perform the background check.
- 7.5.2 The County may request that the Contractor's staff be immediately removed from working on the County Master Agreement at any time during the term of this Master Agreement. The County will not provide to the Contractor nor to the Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County conducted background clearance.
- 7.5.3 The County may immediately, at the sole discretion of the County, deny or terminate facility access to the Contractor's staff that do not pass such investigation(s) to the satisfaction of the County whose background or conduct is incompatible with the County facility access.

7.5.4 Disqualification, if any, of the Contractor's staff, pursuant to this Sub-paragraph 7.5, shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Agreement.

#### 7.6 Confidentiality

- 7.6.1 The Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, billings, County records and patient records, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- 7.6.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, administrative penalties and fines assessed including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by the Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with this Sub-paragraph 7.6, as determined by the County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to the Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Sub-paragraph 7.6 shall be conducted by the Contractor and performed by counsel selected by the Contractor and approved by the County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event the Contractor fails to provide the County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by the County in its sole judgment, the County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, includina. without limitation, County Counsel, reimbursement from the Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by the County in doing so. Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of the County without the County's prior written approval.

- 7.6.3 The Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality and indemnification provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 7.6.4 The Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of the "Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement", Exhibit H.

#### 7.7 Medical Health Screening

The Contractor shall ensure that all of its staff providing services and/or entering a DHS Facility, under this Master Agreement at the time of participation hereunder, have undergone and successfully passed a current physical health examination, consistent with current DHS policy and Exhibit K - Medical Health Screening. The cost of the Medical Health Screening shall be at the expense of the Contractor.

#### 7.8 Staff Performance Under The Influence

The Contractor shall not knowingly permit any employee to perform services under this Master Agreement while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance which might impair their physical or mental performance.

#### 8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 8.1 AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, payments, or any term or condition included under this Master Agreement, an Amendment shall be prepared by the County and then executed by the Contractor and by the Board of Supervisors or its authorized designee.
- 8.1.2 The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Master Agreement during the term of this Master Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer, or designee. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by the County and then executed by the Contractor and by the Director or his/her designee.

- 8.1.3 The Director of DHS, or his/her designee, may at his/her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 Term of Master Agreement. The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Master Agreement during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by the County and then executed by the Contractor and by the Director or his/her designee.
- 8.1.4 The Director or his/her designee may require, at his/her sole discretion, the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Master Agreement to conform to changes in federal or state law or regulation, during the term of this Master Agreement. The County reserves the unilateral right to add and/or change such provisions as required by law or regulation, without the need for the Contractor's written consent, to preserve this Master Agreement's conformity and compliance to federal and state law or regulation. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Master Agreement shall be prepared by the County and then executed by the Contractor and by the Director or his/her designee.

#### 8.2 ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

- 8.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Master Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this Sub-paragraph, the County consent shall require a written amendment to the Master Agreement, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Master Agreement shall be deductible, at the County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.
- 8.2.2 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of the Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of the Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the

majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Master Agreement, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of the County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Master Agreement.

8.2.3 Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without the County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Master Agreement which may result in the termination of this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

#### 8.3 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Master Agreement for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Master Agreement and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

# 8.4 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS (2 C.F.R. PART 376)

The Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded or whose principals are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally By executing this Master Agreement, the funded contracts. Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees or independent contractors is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Master Agreement, the Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees or independent contractors of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. The Contractor shall immediately notify the County in writing, during the term of this Master Agreement, should it or any of the aforementioned parties either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of the Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

#### 8.5 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

## 8.6 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 8.6.1 In the performance of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall comply with all current and applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, including, but not limited to standards of The Joint Commission, its National Patient Safety Goals, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 5 regulations and all other applicable industry best practices standards. All provisions required thereby to be included in this Master Agreement are incorporated herein by reference.
- The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless 8.6.2 the County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, administrative penalties and fines assessed, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by the Contractor, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by the County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to the Contractor's indemnification obligations under this Subparagraph 8.6 shall be conducted by the Contractor and performed by counsel selected by the Contractor and approved by the County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event the Contractor fails to provide the County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by the County in its sole judgment, the County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from the Contractor for all such costs and expenses incurred by the County in doing

so. The Contractor shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of the County without the County's prior written approval.

#### 8.6.3 Facilities Rules and Regulations

During the time that the Contractor's agents, employees, or subcontractors are at a Facility, the Contractor and such persons shall be subject to the rules and regulations of that Facility's Administrator shall furnish a copy of rules and regulations to the Contractor pertaining to the Facility prior to the execution of this Master Agreement and, during the term of this Master Agreement, shall furnish the Contractor with any changes thereto as from time to time may be adopted. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to acquaint all persons who may provide services hereunder with such rules and regulations. The Contractor agrees to immediately and permanently withdraw any of its employees or subcontractors from the provision of services hereunder upon receipt of written notice from the Director that: (1) such employee or subcontractor has violated such rules or regulations, or (2) such employee's or subcontractor's actions while on County premises, indicate that such employee subcontractor's actions while on County premises, indicate that such employee or subcontractor may adversely affect the delivery of health care services to County patients. The Director must submit with such notice a written statement of the facts supporting any such alleged violation or action.

#### 8.7 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS-ANTIDISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION LAWS

8.7.1 The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17); the Fair Employment & Housing Act, Government Code Section 12920-12922; and Affirmative Action in Agreements, Chapter 4.32 of the Los Angeles County Code to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability. medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master

- Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.
- 8.7.2 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- 8.7.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.7.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.7.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Master Agreement or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Master Agreement.
- 8.7.6 The Contractor shall allow the County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the

provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.7 when so requested by the County.

- 8.7.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this Subparagraph 8.7 have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master While the County reserves the right to Agreement. determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement have been violated, in addition. determination by the California Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement.
- 8.7.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Master Agreement, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Master Agreement.

#### 8.7.9 Antidiscrimination in Services:

The Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religious creed, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, medical condition, marital status, political affiliation, or physical or mental disability in accordance with requirements of Federal and State laws. For the purpose of this Sub-paragraph, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to. the following: Denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of any service provided through this Master Agreement; providing any service or benefit to a person which is not equivalent or is provided in a non-equivalent manner or at a non-equivalent time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any manner related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirements or conditions which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Master Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religious creed, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, age, medical condition, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability.

8.7.10 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Exhibit E - Contractor's EEO Certification.

#### 8.8 COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

8.8.1 Jury Service Program: This Master Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit F and incorporated by reference into and made part of this Master Agreement.

#### 8.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy

- 1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
- 2. For purposes of this Sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California

resident who is a full time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If the Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Master Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Sub-paragraph. The provisions of this Sub-paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.

- 3. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Master Agreement commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Master Agreement and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.
- 4. The Contractor's violation of this Sub-paragraph of the Master Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Master Agreement. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Master Agreement and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

#### 8.9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 8.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award or administration of this Master Agreement or any competing Master Agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Master Agreement. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- 8.9.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Master Agreement. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.9 shall be a material breach of this Master Agreement.

## 8.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Master Agreement.

## 8.11 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT

8.11.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's

Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. Contractors shall report all job openings with job requirements to: <a href="mailto:GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov">GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov</a> to obtain a list of qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.

8.11.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

#### 8.12 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

#### 8.12.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the Master Agreement. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

#### 8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Master Agreement, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

#### 8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively

reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

#### 8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board

- If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision. which shall contain recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
- 3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County

may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.

- 5. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of includes debarment. and supporting Upon receiving an appropriate documentation. request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.
- 6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

#### 8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of County Contractors.

## 8.13 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a>.

## 8.14 CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATING IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM

- 8.14.1 The Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its subcontractors' owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees or independent contractors is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, (which includes Medicare, Medi-Cal and Healthy Families) and that the Contractor will notify Director within ten (10) calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require the Contractor or a any aforementioned parties mandatory exclusion or suspension from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary or suspension action taken by any agency of the Federal or State governments against any of the aforementioned parties barring these parties from participating in a Federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.
- 8.14.2 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless against any and all loss or damage the County may suffer arising from any exclusion or suspension of the Contractor or its subcontractors' owners, officers, partners, directors, other principals, employees or independent contractors from such participation in a Federally funded health care program.
- 8.14.3 Failure by the Contractor to meet the requirements of this Sub-paragraph shall constitute a material breach of contract

upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

# 8.15 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

- 8.15.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.
- 8.15.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Master Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Master Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

# 8.16 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

- 8.16.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from the County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.
- 8.16.2 Unless the Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, the Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this Master Agreement will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.206.

## 8.17 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Master Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Master Agreement terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which the County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Master Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Master Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Master Agreement.

# 8.18 DAMAGE TO COUNTY FACILITIES, BUILDINGS OR GROUNDS

- 8.18.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage other than normal wear and tear to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.
- 8.18.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.
- 8.18.3 The County reserves the unilateral right to make any repairs which Director determines, in his/her sole discretion, to be a public safety issue requiring immediate repair. The County will bill the Contractor for the cost of said repair or deduct said cost from any outstanding amounts owed by the County to the Contractor.

## 8.19 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

8.19.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Master Agreement meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all

verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.19.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Master Agreement.

#### 8.20 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to Sub-paragraph 8.1, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Master Agreement, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

## 8.21 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

# 8.22 FEDERAL ACCESS TO RECORDS

If, and to the extent that, Section 1861(v)(1)(l) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 1395x(v)(1)(l) is applicable, the Contractor agrees that for a period of four (4) years following the furnishing of services under this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall maintain

and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Controller General of the United States, or to any of their authorize representatives, the Agreements, books, documents and records of the Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the costs of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if the Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through any subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve (12) month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), the Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents and records of the subcontractor.

# 8.23 CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE DURING CIVIL UNREST OR DISASTER

The Contractor recognizes that health care Facilities maintained by the County provide care essential to the residents of the communities they serve, and that these services are of particular importance at the time of a riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster, or similar event. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, full performance by the Contractor during any riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster or similar event is not excused if such performance remains physically possible. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be considered a material breach by the Contractor for which the County may immediately terminate this Master Agreement.

# 8.24 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

This Master Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Master Agreement and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

# 8.25 HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 (HIPAA)

The County is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements and prohibitions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 (HIPAA), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 160 and 164 (collectively, the "HIPAA"

Rules"). Under this Agreement, the Contractor provides services to the County and the Contractor creates, has access to, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information as defined in Exhibit I in order to provide those services. The County and the Contractor therefore agree to the terms of Exhibit I - "Business Associate" Under Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

## 8.26 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- 8.26.1 This Master Agreement is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 8.26.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8.26.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Master Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement.
- 8.26.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in Sub-paragraph 7.6 Confidentiality.

#### 8.27 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and

against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Master Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

# 8.28 GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE

Without limiting the Contractor's indemnification of the County, and in the performance of this Master Agreement and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Master Agreement have been met, the Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in Sub-paragraphs 8.28 and 8.29 of this Master Agreement. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon the Contractor pursuant to this Master Agreement. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Master Agreement.

# 8.28.1 Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County

- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to the County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming the County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to the County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Master Agreement.
- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to the County not less than 10 days prior to the Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Master Agreement by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Master Agreement. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing

coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.

Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Health Services
Contracts and Grants Division
313 N. Figueroa Street, 6E
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attention: Kathy K. Hanks, C.P.M.
Director, Contracts and Grants

The Contractor also shall promptly report to the County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to the Contractor. The Contractor also shall promptly notify the County of any third party claim or suit filed against the Contractor or any of its Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Master Agreement, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against the Contractor and/or the County.

# 8.28.2 Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of the Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. The County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability

and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

# 8.28.3 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

The Contractor shall provide the County with, or the Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that the County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to the County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Master Agreement.

# 8.28.4 Failure to Maintain Insurance

The Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, upon which the County immediately may withhold payments due to the Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Master Agreement. The County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from the Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to the Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to the Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

# 8.28.5 Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by the County.

# 8.28.6 Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

The Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Master Agreement, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to the Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

# 8.28.7 Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against the County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Master Agreement. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

# 8.28.8 **Sub-Contractor Insurance Coverage Requirements**

The Contractor shall include all Sub-Contractors as insureds under the Contractor's own policies, or shall provide the County with each Sub-Contractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. The Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Sub-Contractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Sub-Contractor name the County and the Contractor as additional insureds on the Sub-Contractor's General Liability policy. The Contractor shall obtain the County's prior review and approval of any Sub-Contractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

# 8.28.9 **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)**

The Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require the Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing the Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

# 8.28.10 Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Master Agreement. The Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Master Agreement expiration, termination or cancellation.

# 8.28.11 Application of Excess Liability Coverage

The Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as ("follow form" over) the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

# 8.28.12 **Separation of Insureds**

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

# 8.28.13 Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, the Contractor use of self-insurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

# 8.28.14 County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon the County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

#### 8.29 INSURANCE COVERAGE

**8.29.1 Commercial General Liability** insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming the County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

General Aggregate: \$2 million

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$1 million

Personal and Advertising Injury: \$1 million

Each Occurrence: \$1 million

**8.29.2** Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of the Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Master Agreement, including owned, leased, hired, and/or nonowned autos, as each may be applicable.

8.29.3 Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified self-insurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If the Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that the County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this If applicable to the Contractor's coverage provision. operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

# 8.29.4 Unique Insurance Coverage

## Sexual Misconduct Liability

Insurance covering actual or alleged claims for sexual misconduct and/or molestation with limits of not less than \$2 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate, and claims for negligent employment, investigation, supervision, training or retention of, or failure to report to proper authorities, a person(s) who committed any act of abuse, molestation, harassment, mistreatment or maltreatment of a sexual nature.

# Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions

Insurance covering the Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Master Agreement, with limits of not less

than \$1 million per claim and \$3 million aggregate. Further, the Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Master Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.

# 8.30 LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Master Agreement, all valid licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to its performance of this Master Agreement, and shall ensure that all of its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this permits. Master Agreement, all licenses. registrations. accreditations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder. All such licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certifications relating to services hereunder shall be made available to the County upon request.

## 8.31 INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

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#### 8.33 NON EXCLUSIVITY

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Master Agreement shall not restrict the Department from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

## 8.34 NOTICE OF DELAYS

Except as otherwise provided under this Master Agreement, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Master Agreement, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

## 8.35 NOTICE OF DISPUTES

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the Facility's Project Manager and/or Facility's Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Master Agreement. If the Facility's Project Manager or

Facility's Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director of DHS, or designee shall resolve it.

# 8.36 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

# 8.37 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit G of this Master Agreement and is also available on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a> for printing purposes.

#### 8.38 NOTICES

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Master Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered by: (i) by hand with signed receipt; (ii) by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid; or (iii) by facsimile or electronic mail transmission followed within twenty-four (24) hours by confirmation copy mailed by first class registered or certified mail, postage pre-paid. Furthermore, all notices shall be addressed to the parties as identified in Exhibits C - County's Administration and D - Contractor's Administration. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party.

## 8.39 PROHIBITION AGAINST INDUCEMENT OR PERSUASION

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

## 8.40 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

- Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information 8.40.1 obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Sub-paragraph 8.42 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Master Agreement; as well as any documents that may have been submitted in response to a solicitation process for this Master Agreement, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 8.40.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of an SOQ marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

## 8.41 PUBLICITY

- 8.41.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Master Agreement to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Master Agreement within the following conditions:
  - The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
  - During the term of this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using

the name of the County without the prior written consent of the Director or his/her designee. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

8.41.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of the County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Subparagraph 8.41 shall apply.

# 8.42 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

- 8.42.1 The Contractor shall maintain, and provide upon request by the County, accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Master Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Master Agreement.
- 8.42.2 The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Master Agreement. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Master Agreement and for a period of ten (10) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.
- 8.42.3 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Master Agreement by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, including audits conducted by the Medicare and Medi-Cal programs, or both, then the Contractor shall file a copy of each such audit report,

including Service Organization Controls (SOC1) Reports, with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Master Agreement. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).

- 8.42.4 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.42 shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.
- If, at any time during the term of this Master Agreement or 8.42.5 within ten (10) years after the expiration or termination of this Master Agreement, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Master Agreement, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Master Agreement or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Master Agreement exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Master Agreement.

# 8.43 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Master Agreement.

## 8.44 RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING

If any Federal funds are to be used to pay for Contractor's services under this Master Agreement, the Contractor shall fully comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its

subcontractors receiving funds provided under this Master Agreement also fully complies with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

## 8.45 SUBCONTRACTING

- 8.45.1 The requirements of this Master Agreement may not be subcontracted by the Contractor without the advance written approval of the County. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Master Agreement.
- 8.45.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:
  - A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
  - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
  - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.
- 8.45.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were Contractor employees.
- 8.45.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Master Agreement, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.45.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Master Agreement. The Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.45.6 The Director or his/her designee is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, the Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.

- 8.45.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.45.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

County of Los Angeles
Department of Health Services
Contracts and Grants Division
313 N. Figueroa Street – 6E
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attention: Kathy K. Hanks, C.P.M.
Director, Contracts and Grants

before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

#### 8.46 SURVIVAL

In addition to any provisions of this Agreement which specifically state that they will survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement and any rights and obligations under this Agreement which by their nature should survive, the following Sub-paragraphs shall survive any termination or expiration of this Agreement:

Sub-paragraph 5.3 (No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Master Agreement)

Sub-paragraph 7.6 (Confidentiality)

Sub-paragraph 8.6 (Compliance with Applicable Laws, Rules and Regulations

Sub-paragraph 8.24 (Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue)

Sub-paragraph 8.27 (Indemnification)

Sub-paragraph 8.28 (General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage)

Sub-paragraph 8.29 (Insurance Coverage)

Sub-paragraph 8.42 (Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement)

Sub-paragraph 8.46 (Survival)

Exhibit I – Business Associate Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

# 8.47 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Sub-paragraph 8.15 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute a default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement pursuant to Sub-paragraph 8.50 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

# 8.48 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Sub-paragraph 8.16 - Contractor's Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program shall constitute default under this Master Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Master Agreement, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Master Agreement and/or pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

## 8.49 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

8.49.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement, in whole or in part, from time to time or permanently, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be

effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

- 8.49.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall:
  - Stop work under this Master Agreement on the date and to the extent specified in such notice; and
  - Transfer title and deliver to the County all completed work and work in process; and
  - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.49.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Master Agreement shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with Subparagraph 8.42, Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement.

# 8.50 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- 8.50.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Master Agreement, if, in the judgment of the Director or his/her designee:
  - The Contractor has materially breached this Master Agreement;
  - The Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Master Agreement; or
  - The Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Master Agreement, or of any obligations of this Master Agreement and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.

- 8.50.2 In the event that the County terminates this Master Agreement in whole or in part as provided in Sub-paragraph 8.50.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Master Agreement to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this Sub-paragraph.
- 8.50.3 Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in Sub-paragraph 8.50.2 if its failure to perform this Master Agreement arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this Subparagraph 8.50.3. the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.
- 8.50.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.50, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this Sub-paragraph 8.50, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of Sub-paragraph 8.50.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Sub-paragraph 8.49 Termination for Convenience.

8.50.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Subparagraph 8.50 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

## 8.51 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

- 8.51.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Master Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Master Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Master Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Master Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.51.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861 or <a href="https://www.lacountyfraud.org">www.lacountyfraud.org</a>.
- 8.51.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 8.52 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

- 8.52.1 The County may terminate this Master Agreement forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
  - Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the

Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;

- The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
- The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 8.52.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Subparagraph 8.52 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

# 8.53 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERENCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Master Agreement, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Master Agreement.

# 8.54 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Master Agreement during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Master Agreement in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Master Agreement, then this Master Agreement shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

## 8.55 TIME OFF FOR VOTING

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted

conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

## 8.56 UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION

The Contractor shall inform all of its officers and employees performing services hereunder of the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with section 6150) of Business and Professions Code of the State of California (i.e. State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to ensure that there is no violation of said provisions by its officers and employees. The Contractor agrees that if a patient requests assistance in obtaining the services of any attorney, it will refer the patient to the attorney referral service of all those bar associations within Los Angeles County that have such a service.

## 8.57 VALIDITY

If any provision of this Master Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Master Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

## 8.58 WAIVER

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Master Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Master Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Sub-paragraph 8.58 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Master Agreement.

## 8.59 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

8.59.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Master Agreement upon any agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

8.59.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Master Agreement and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Master Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

# 9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

# 9.1 NO INTENT TO CREATE A THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY CONTRACT

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Master Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Master Agreement.

# 9.2 REPORTING OF CHILD/ELDER AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE

- 9.2.1 The Contractor staff working on this Master Agreement shall comply with California Penal Code (hereinafter "PC") Section 11164 et seq., shall report all known and suspected instances of child abuse to an appropriate child protective agency, as mandated by these code sections and shall submit all required information, in accordance with the PC Sections 11166 and 11167.
- 9.2.2 The Contractor staff working on this Master Agreement shall comply with California Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), Section 15600 et seq. and shall report all known or suspected instances of physical abuse of elders and dependent adults either to an appropriate County adult protective services agency or to a local law enforcement agency, as mandated by these code sections. The Contractor staff working on this Master Agreement shall make the report on such abuse, and shall submit all required information, in accordance with the WIC Sections 15630, 15633 and 15633.5.
- 9.2.3 The Contractor staff's failure to report as required is considered a breach of this Master Agreement subject to immediate termination and is also a misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail, a fine of up to \$5,000 or both.

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# AUTHORIZATION OF MASTER AGREEMENT FOR BLOOD RECOVERY AND INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Master Agreement to be executed by the Director, of the Department of Health Services or designee and approved by County Counsel, and Contractor has caused this Master Agreement to be executed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month and year first above written.

	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	
	Byfor Mitchell H. Katz, M.D. Director of Health Services CONTRACTOR	
	BySignature	_
	Printed Name	
	Title	
APPROVED AS TO FORM: MARY C. WICKHAM County Counsel		
By Jason C. Carnevale, Deputy County Cou	nsel	

# MASTER AGREEMENT FOR BLOOD RECOVERY AND INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES

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# Exhibit A General Statement of Work

## 1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

- **1.1.** Contractor shall provide Blood Recovery and/or Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services as described in this Exhibit A and in Exhibit A.1- Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work and Exhibit A.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Statement of Work, as applicable.
- **1.2.** Services shall be available to Facilities twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week, three hundred sixty-five/six (365/6) days per year. County does not guarantee a minimum use of Contractor's provided services.
- **1.3.** County reserves the right to suspend services and/or ordering of services under this Master Agreement at any time with or without cause.

## 2. REQUEST FOR SERVICES

## 2.1. Orders

- 2.1.1. Ordering Facility shall call or otherwise request services (e.g. e-mail notification) from Contractor.
- 2.1.2. If Contractor receives a verbal request for services, County will provide to Personnel a written order from the ordering physician prior to the Personnel providing services. The order will provide information as to the ordering physician, medical department, and patient's diagnosis.

# 2.2. Emergency Response Time

For life threatening emergencies, Contractor shall respond to requests for services with the necessary Personnel, equipment, and supplies within one hour of notification. County will be billed an emergency response fee set forth in Exhibit B.1- Blood Recovery Services Schedule of Rates or Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Schedule of Rates, as applicable.

## 2.3. Cancellation of Services

Facility may change or cancel any request for services without incurring any financial liability upon providing Contractor with at least two (2) hours prior notice. In the event Facility changes or cancels a request for services, then Contractor shall bill the appropriate Cancellation Fee set forth in Exhibit B.1

Blood Recovery Services Schedule of Rates or Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Schedule of Rates, as applicable.

#### 3. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF PERSONNEL

- 3.1. Contractor shall ensure that all Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement are qualified to perform the various functions and duties under this Master Agreement, as outlined herein and as defined by applicable statutes and regulations related to their scope of healthcare practice.
- 3.2. Contractor shall ensure that all Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement are duly licensed, registered, and certified without restrictions in the State of California, as appropriate, and as required by Federal, State, County, local law, The Joint Commission (TJC) and any other applicable regulatory agencies. In addition, Personnel shall carry such unrestricted, current, active, and valid original license, registration, and certificate, as appropriate, at all times while providing services herein. In the event that the ordering Facility inadvertently utilizes the services of Personnel who lack the appropriate licenses, registrations, and certifications, as appropriate, County shall not pay for any time worked by such Personnel. County shall withhold payment for such time worked or recoup any payments already remitted. Furthermore, Contractor shall be solely responsible for any claims for damages that may arise from unqualified Personnel's provision of services herein.
- **3.3.** Contractor shall ensure that Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement shall meet the professional qualifications for the specific service being provided as set forth in Exhibits A.1- Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work and A.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Statement of Work, as applicable.

## 4. RESPONSIBILITIES - CONTRACTOR

# 4.1. Project Manager

- 4.1.1. Contractor shall provide a Project Manager or designated alternate to lead and coordinate Contractor's day-to-day provision of services hereunder. Contractor's Project Manager shall be available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m., excluding County holidays, to act as a central point of contact with County personnel.
- 4.1.2. Project Manager/alternate shall have full authority to act for Contractor on all matters relating to the daily operation of the Master Agreement. Project Manager/alternate shall be able to effectively communicate, in English, both orally and in writing.

**4.2.** Contractor shall have a live person answering the services ordering telephone line(s) identified in Exhibit D- Contractor's Administration twenty-four (24) hours a day. Contractor shall give Facility's Project Manager advanced written notice of any change to the telephone number to ensure that Contractor is reachable by phone to respond to an emergency order.

# 4.3. Recruitment and Assignment

- 4.3.1. Contractor shall only refer and assign Personnel who are qualified as defined in this Exhibit A, Paragraph 3, and have appropriate education, training, background, experience, and demonstrated ability to perform the services required under this Master Agreement.
- 4.3.2. Facilities will not accept the services of Personnel with non-immigrant visa status. Contractor shall not refer and assign such Personnel.
- 4.3.3. Assigned Personnel referred through this Master Agreement shall be proficient in the English language, be able to speak fluently, understand oral and written communications, and write effectively.
- 4.3.4. Contractor shall verify that all Personnel meet the requirements outlined in Sub-paragraph 3.2 of this Exhibit A and shall provide ordering facility with a copy of all current licenses, registrations, and certifications, as appropriate, at the time such individual is first assigned to such Facility. Documentation that Contractor has verified the current status of all such licenses, registrations, and certifications, as appropriate, shall be retained by Contractor for purposes of inspection and audit and made available to County upon request.
- 4.3.5. Contractor shall be required to background check their employees as set forth in Paragraph 7.0, Administration of Master Agreement Contractor, Sub-paragraph 7.5, Background & Security Investigations, of the Master Agreement.
- 4.3.6. Contractor shall ensure that Personnel have not been excluded from State or federal programs and subsequent to each referral of Personnel shall perform a search of State and federal exclusion lists including at a minimum the California Department of Health Care Services' Medi-Cal Suspended and Ineligible Provider List, the Office of Inspector General's (OIG) and the General Services Administration's (GSA) exclusion lists. Documentation of such searches shall be provided to the ordering Facility upon referral and shall be maintained in the respective individual's file at Contractor's office.

- 4.3.7. Contractor shall ensure that all Personnel assigned to provide services at Facilities are free of infectious disease(s), have been tested and vaccinated as required by TJC and Section 70723, Title 22, California Code of Regulations, in accordance with Master Agreement Subparagraph 7.7, Medical Health Screening, and are physically able to perform the duties described herein. Contractor shall provide written certification of the aforementioned requirements to the Facility prior to referral of Personnel and shall maintain this written certification at Contractor's office.
- 4.3.8. Contractor shall coordinate with Facility Project Manager to have Personnel initially cleared and to maintain on-going clearance at such Facility to ensure that Contractor can send qualified, cleared Personnel when Facility needs services on an emergency basis.
- 4.3.9. For continuity of services, Contractor shall use its best efforts to assign recurring Personnel.

## 4.3.10. Restriction to Hours Worked

Personnel working at any one Facility or combination of Facilities shall not work more than a maximum of sixteen (16) hours in a twenty-four (24) hour period and no more than sixty-four (64) hours in any seven (7) day period, inclusive of all County and private facilities.

- 4.3.11. Contractor shall provide Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement with written instructions on the policies and procedures to be followed while at assigned Facilities, including, but not limited to, industrial accidents.
- 4.3.12. Contractor shall evaluate the performance and skills of Personnel providing services hereunder as needed, but not less than on an annual basis in accordance with DHS's and Facility's Quality Assurance Plan.

## 4.4. Identification Badges

Contractor shall ensure Personnel are appropriately identified as set forth in Paragraph 7.0, Administration of Master Agreement – Contractor, Subparagraph 7.4, Contractor's Staff Identification, of the Master Agreement.

#### 4.5. Industrial Accidents

4.5.1. Contractor shall establish appropriate policies and procedures regarding initial and follow-up procedures for Personnel who

experience an industrial accident (e.g. needle sticks) while providing services at a Facility. In any event, if any one of Contractor's personnel experiences an industrial accident, while performing services under this Master Agreement, such individual may seek medical care at the Facility such individual is assigned to, or appropriate Facility capable of treating such an accident at Contractor's expense.

- 4.5.2. Follow-up for Personnel exposed to Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) positive patients (e.g. needle sticks) must be in accordance with Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and is the responsibility of Contractor and the individual and not that of the County.
- 4.5.3. Contractor shall give Personnel providing services hereunder written instructions on the above policies and procedures, which shall be reviewed with each of Contractor's personnel as needed, but not less than on an annual basis.
- 4.5.4. A copy of the above policies and procedures shall be retained by Contractor and made available to County upon request for purposes of inspection and audit.

#### 4.6. Infection Control

- 4.6.1. Personnel shall strictly adhere to Infection Control and Employee Health Guidelines to prevent the transmission of infections and to assure prompt and appropriate treatment for employee exposure. If any Personnel is diagnosed with having an infectious disease, and Contractor is made aware of such diagnosis and such person has had contact with a County patient during the usual incubation period for such infectious disease, then Contractor shall report such an occurrence to Facility's Employee Health and Infection Control Department within twenty-four (24) hours of becoming aware of the diagnosis.
- 4.6.2. If a County patient is diagnosed with having an infectious disease and such County patient has had contact with Personnel without the benefit of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during the usual incubation period for such infectious disease, Facility shall report such occurrences to Contractor. Confirmation that an exposure occurred is made by Employee Health and Infection Control.
- 4.6.3. For the purposes of this Master Agreement, the infectious diseases reportable hereunder are those listed in the Public Health List of Reportable Diseases (California Code of Regulations, Title 17).

# 4.7. Contractor Provided Equipment and Supplies

- 4.7.1. Contractor shall provide all required equipment, related software, and supplies necessary to perform the services hereunder unless otherwise specified.
- 4.7.2. Contractor shall, at its sole cost, keep and maintain in good sanitary condition and repair such equipment, and every part thereof used to treat County patients.
- 4.7.3. Preventative maintenance on equipment and software used under this Master Agreement shall be performed by Contractor a minimum of every six (6) months, or in accordance with manufacturer's specifications, whichever is the most stringent and shall comply with requirements set by The Joint Commission and other applicable regulatory bodies.
- 4.7.4. All maintenance records are to be written and available to County upon request.
- 4.7.5. Contractor shall ensure that all disposable supplies and accessories are used for one (1) patient's treatment only and are never reused. Lot numbers and expiration dates, where applicable, for all disposable supplies and accessories used for each patient, shall be recorded and maintained by Contractor for review upon request by County.
- 4.7.6. All disposable supplies and accessories used for services hereunder shall be considered potentially contaminated materials and shall be disposed of by Contractor in a manner that complies with Facility's regulations.
- 4.7.7. Contractor may store its equipment and supplies at a Facility, providing that storage space is available. Contractor shall maintain and store its equipment and supplies in accordance with TJC standards and the Facility's policies and procedures. Contractor shall provide a copy of Contractor's policies and procedures for the maintenance and storage of its equipment and supplies to the Facility Project Manager for review and approval prior to the provision of services at the Facility.
- 4.7.8. Contractor shall save and hold harmless County for any damage, destruction, or loss of Contractor's equipment, software, and supply cart equipment or parts, or both, as supplied by Contractor under the

terms of this Master Agreement, which are caused by acts of God or circumstances beyond the reasonable control of County or caused by negligence of County or its personnel. County shall give Contractor notice of any such damage, destruction, or loss, and Contractor shall replace, restore, or repair such equipment or parts to operational status.

## 5. RESPONSIBILITIES- PERSONNEL

Personnel shall adhere to Facility's sign-in and sign-out policies as well as all other Facility rules and regulations.

## 6. STAFF DEVELOPMENT TRAINING/COMPETENCY TESTING/ORIENTATION

Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement shall have participated in staff development training programs, competency testing, and shall attend orientation as described herein and as required by County. All time and costs that the Contractor incurs to have Personnel complete and pass County internal or external training, competency testing, and orientations are the fiscal responsibility of the Contractor.

# 6.1. Annual Staff Development Training Programs

Documentation that Personnel attended the annual staff development training programs listed below shall be retained by Contractor and shall be made available to County upon request. Personnel may be required to attend certain staff development training programs at Facilities even if Personnel completed such staff development training programs through a non-County entity. Personnel not having completed any one of the below staff development training programs may attend such programs at a Facility, if such programs are offered by the Facility. Required Annual Staff Development Training Programs include but are not limited to the following:

- Blood borne pathogens precautions
- Infection control
- Patient safety (fire, electrical, disaster)
- Employee right-to-know
- Toxic substances
- Patient's rights
- Child/elder abuse
- Age specific care
- HIPAA (shall be completed at DHS Facility)

# 6.2. Competency Testing

Personnel shall abide by DHS Competency Assessment-Direct and Indirect Patient Care Position policy 780.200. Personnel shall be subject to the

Competency Testing standards as set forth by the County. Contractor shall cooperate with County to have Personnel complete and pass DHS competency testing as required by County. County will make study guide material available electronically to Contractor. County will communicate Competency Testing outcomes resulting in work status changes to Contractor and Personnel. Personnel are not entitled to any due process rights through grievance or through the LA County Civil Service Commission.

#### 6.3. Orientation

Upon County's request, Personnel providing services under this Master Agreement may be required to attend and participate in any in-house orientation(s) by any Facility. All Personnel providing services at Facilities shall complete DHS's on-line Compliance Awareness training in accordance with DHS Compliance Program/Code of Conduct policy 1000 prior to Contractor submitting the first billing for such services at any Facility. Furthermore, all Personnel providing services at Facilities shall complete DHS HIPAA training in accordance with DHS Privacy and Security Awareness and Training policy 361.24 during Facility in-house orientation.

## 7. QUALITY CONTROL

The Contractor shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan (Plan) to assure the County a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Master Agreement. The Plan shall be submitted to the Facility Project Monitor for review. The Plan shall include, but may not be limited to the following:

- **7.1.** Method of monitoring to ensure that Master Agreement requirements are being met.
- **7.2.** A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, shall be provided to the County upon request.

## 8. RESPONSIBILITIES - COUNTY

## 8.1. Personnel

The County will administer the Master Agreement according to the Master Agreement, Paragraph 6.0, Administration of Master Agreement - County. Specific duties will include:

8.1.1. Monitoring the Contractor's performance in the daily operation of this Master Agreement.

- 8.1.2. Providing direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information and procedural requirements.
- 8.1.3. Preparing Amendments in accordance with Paragraph 8.0, Standard Terms and Conditions, Sub-paragraph 8.1, Amendments of the Master Agreement.

# 8.2. Furnished Items

- 8.2.1. Storage space, if available, for Contractor's equipment and/or supplies.
- 8.2.2. For Blood Recovery Services only:
  - Heparin
- 8.2.3. For Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services only:
  - Intra-Aortic Balloons, when available;
  - Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Transducer, when available; and
  - Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Machine, when available.

## 9. QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

**9.1.** The County will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Master Agreement using the quality assurance procedures as defined in Paragraph 8.0, Standard Terms and Conditions, Sub-paragraph 8.18, County's Quality Assurance Plan of the Master Agreement.

# 9.2. Contractor Discrepancy Report (Attachment A)

- 9.2.1. Verbal notification of a Master Agreement discrepancy will be made to the Contractor Project Manager as soon as possible whenever a discrepancy is identified. The problem shall be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County and the Contractor.
- 9.2.2. The Facility Project Manager will determine whether a formal Contractor Discrepancy Report shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the Facility Project Manager within five (5) business days with a plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contractor Discrepancy Report.

## **CONTRACTOR DISCREPANCY REPORT**

TO:		
FROM:		
DATES:	Prepared:	
	Returned by Contractor:	
	Action Completed:	
DISCREPAI	NCY PROBLEMS:	
Signatu	ure of County Representative	Date
CONTRACT	FOR RESPONSE (Cause and Corrective Action):	
Signatu	are of Contractor Representative	 Date
COUNTY E	VALUATION OF CONTRACTOR RESPONSE:	
Signatu	are of Contractor Representative	Date
COUNTY A	CTIONS:	
	TOR NOTIFIED OF ACTION:	
County Rep	resentative's Signature and Date	
Contractor F	Representative's Signature and Date	

# Exhibit A.1 Blood Recovery Services Statement of Work

### 1. SCOPE

- **1.1.** For the purposes of this Agreement, Blood Recovery Services\* include:
  - 1.1.1. Surgical Intra-operative and post-operative blood salvage.
  - 1.1.2. Autologous platelet gel recovery.
  - 1.1.3. Cellwashing and retransfusion.
  - 1.1.4. Standby services.
  - \*Blood Recovery Services include set-up of Contractor provided equipment and supplies.
- **1.2.** All Blood Recovery Services hereunder shall be in compliance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement including but not limited to Exhibit A- General Statement of Work and this Exhibit A.1.
- **1.3.** Contractor shall be compensated for services provided in accordance with the rates and conditions in Exhibit B.1- Blood Recovery Services Schedule of Rates.

### 2. BLOOD RECOVERY SERVICES PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

Personnel providing Blood Recovery Services under this Agreement shall have the following qualifications:

- **2.1.** Personnel shall have a minimum of two (2) years of experience within the last three (3) years in an operating room setting providing Blood Recovery Services.
- **2.2.** Personnel shall have a current license or certificate in one of the following fields:
  - 2.2.1. Registered Nurse
  - 2.2.2. Licensed Vocational Nurse
  - 2.2.3. Certified Nursing Attendant
  - 2.2.4. Emergency Medical Technician
  - 2.2.5. Paramedic
  - 2.2.6. Phlebotomist
  - 2.2.7. Laboratory Technician
  - 2.2.8. Medical Technician
  - 2.2.9. Surgical Assistant

- **2.3.** Personnel shall be certified as a Perioperative Blood Management Technologist by the Internal Board of Blood Management/Cardiovascular Perfusion or be certified as a Clinical Perfusionist by the American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion.
- **2.4.** Personnel shall have current, valid Basic Life Support (BLS) certification issued by the American Heart Association or other County approved program and shall carry their current, original (not copy) BLS card at all times.

# Exhibit A.2 Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Statement of Work

### 1. SCOPE

- **1.1.** For the purposes of this Agreement, Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services include:
  - 1.1.1. Set-up and monitoring of equipment and patients with an intra-aortic balloon pump.
  - 1.1.2. Accompanying patient with an intra-aortic balloon pump who is being transferred to another Facility via helicopter or ground ambulance, which includes the transfer of the equipment.
- **1.2.** All Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services hereunder shall be in compliance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement including but not limited to Exhibit A- General Statement of Work and this Exhibit A.2.
- **1.3.** Contractor shall be compensated for services provided in accordance with the rates and conditions in Exhibit B.2- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services Schedule of Rates.

## 2. INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS

Personnel providing Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services under this Agreement shall have the following qualifications:

- **2.1.** Personnel shall have a minimum of two (2) years of experience within the last three (3) years providing Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services.
- **2.2.** Personnel shall have a current license or certificate in one of the following fields:
  - 2.2.1. Registered Nurse
  - 2.2.2. Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist
  - 2.2.3. Cardiovascular Technician
- **2.3.** Personnel shall have current, valid Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) certification issued by the American Heart Association or other County approved program and shall carry their current, original (not copy) ACLS card at all times.

# Exhibit B.1 Blood Recovery Services Rate Schedule

## **NOT ATTACHED**

# Exhibit B.2 INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES RATE SCHEDULE

## **NOT ATTACHED**

## **COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION**

MASTER AG	REEMENT NO
COUNTY MA	STER AGREEMENT PROJECT DIRECTOR (MAPD):
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Addres	ss:
FACILITY PR	ROJECT MANAGER (BLOOD RECOVERY SERVICES):
Olive View-U	ICLA Medical Center
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Addres	SS:
FACILITY PR	ROJECT MANAGER (INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP SERVICES):
Olive View-U	ICLA Medical Center
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
	 SS:

Invoices shall be addressed to the following addresses for the respective Facility for which services were provided:

Olive View Medical Center 14445 Olive View Drive Sylmar, CA 91342 Attn: Expenditure Management

## **CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRA	CTOR'S NAME
MASTER AGREEMENT NO	
CONTRACTOR'S PROJECT DIRECTOR: Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	
CONTRACTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION	FOR ORDERING SERVICES
Blood Recovery Services:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	
Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Services:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	
CONTRACTOR'S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S	•
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	

**EXHIBIT D** 

Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	
Notices to Cont	actor shall be sent to the following address:
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Facsimile:	
E-Mail Address:	

## **CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

Co	ntractor Name		
Add	dress		
Inte	ernal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number		
	GENERAL CERTIFICATION		
sup sub bed	accordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County of oplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persons employed osidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and crimination laws of the United States of America and the State of	ed by such firm, y the firm withou in compliance	its affiliates It regard to o
	CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATION	ONS	
1.	The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	Yes □	No □
2.	The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	Yes □	No □
3.	The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	Yes □	No □
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.	Yes □	No □
Aut	horized Official's Printed Name and Title		
Aut	horized Official's Signature	Date	

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## 2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

### 2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
  - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
  - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
  - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
  - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
  - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
  - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or

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- 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
- 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.
- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
  - 1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
  - 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

## 2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

## 2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

## 2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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### 2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

- 1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
- 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

## 2.203.070. Exceptions.

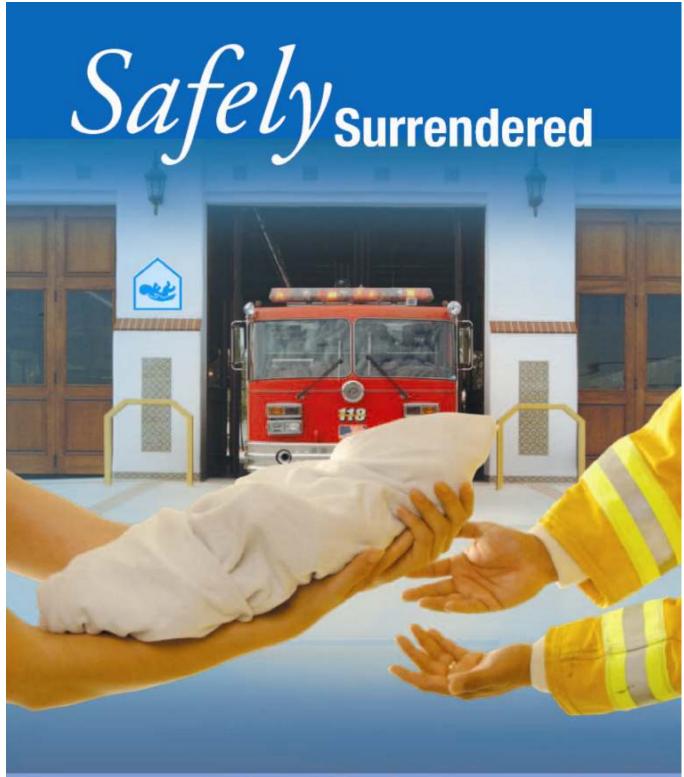
- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
  - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
  - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
  - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

## 2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)



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# Safely Surrendered Baby Law

## What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

#### How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

## What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

## Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

# Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

# Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

#### What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

## What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

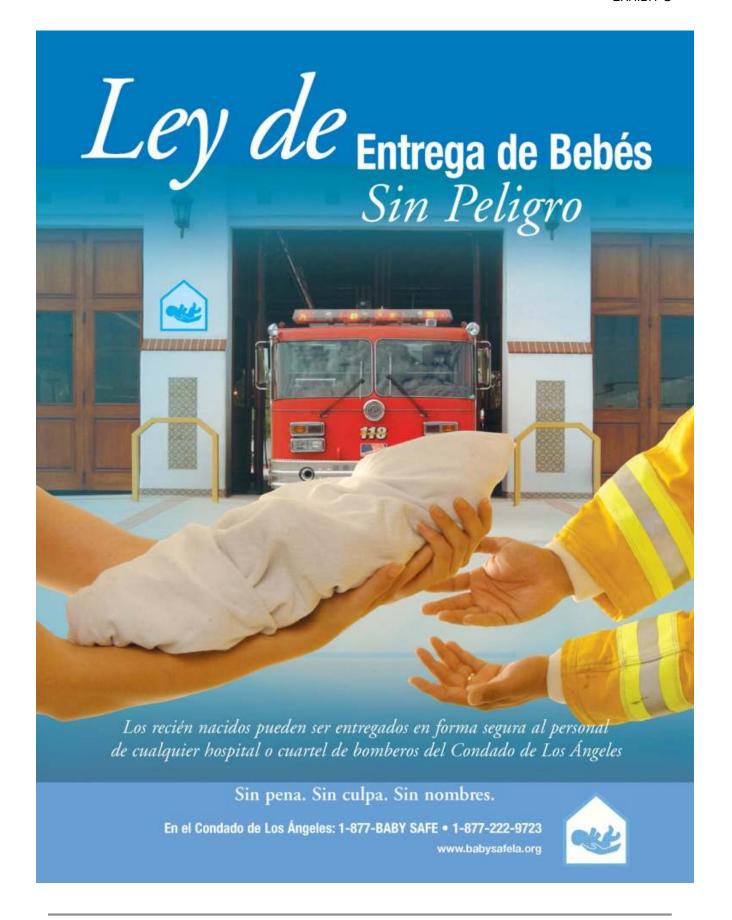
Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

#### Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

## A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.



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# Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

## ¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin
Peligro de California permite la
entrega confidencial de un recién
nacido por parte de sus padres u
otras personas con custodia legal,
es decir cualquier persona a quien
los padres le hayan dado permiso.
Siempre que el bebé tenga tres
días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y
no haya sufrido abuso ni
negligencia, pueden entregar al
recién nacido sin temor de ser
arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

### ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

## ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

## ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

#### ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

#### ¿Es necesario que el padre/ madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

## ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

## ¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

## Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

## CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's Master Agreement.)
Contractor Name
County Master Agreement No
GENERAL INFORMATION:
The Contractor referenced above has entered into a Master Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.
CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractor (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all otherefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement.
Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoe and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtof performance of work under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and to County of Los Angeles.
CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:
Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiv services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential dand information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contract and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreements as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.
Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtain while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced Master Agreement between Contractor and the County of Los Angel Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Proj Manager.
Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data a information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, format documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor a Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced Master Agreement. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confiden materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.
Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.
Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to cand/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.
SIGNATURE: DATE:/
PRINTED NAME:
POSITION:

# "BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 ("HIPAA")

County is a Covered Entity as defined by, and subject to the requirements and prohibitions of, the Administrative Simplification provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 160 and 164 (collectively, the "HIPAA Rules").

Contractor performs or provides functions, activities or services to County that require Contractor in order to provide such functions, activities or services to create, access, receive, maintain, and/or transmit information that includes or that may include Protected Health Information, as defined by the HIPAA Rules. As such, Contractor is a Business Associate, as defined by the HIPAA Rules, and is therefore subject to those provisions of the HIPAA Rules that are applicable to Business Associates.

The HIPAA Rules require a written agreement ("Business Associate Agreement") between County and Contractor in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and these HIPAA Rules prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Contractor if such an agreement is not in place.

This Business Associate Agreement and its provisions are intended to protect the privacy and provide for the security of Protected Health Information disclosed to or used by Contractor in compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

## 1. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 "Breach" has the same meaning as the term "breach" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.
- "Business Associate" has the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, a "business associate" is a person or entity, other than a member of the workforce of covered entity, who performs functions or activities on behalf of, or provides certain services to, a covered entity that involve access by the business associate to Protected Health Information. A "business associate" also is a subcontractor that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of another business associate. And in reference to the party to this Business Associate Agreement "Business Associate" shall mean Contractor.

- 1.3 "Covered Entity" has the same meaning as the term "covered entity" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, and in reference to the party to this Business Associate Agreement, "Covered Entity" shall mean County.
- 1.4 "<u>Data Aggregation</u>" has the same meaning as the term "data aggregation" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
- 1.5 "<u>De-identification</u>" refers to the de-identification standard at 45 C.F.R. § 164.514.
- 1.6 "Designated Record Set" has the same meaning as the term "designated record set" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
- 1.7 "Disclose" and "Disclosure" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its workforce. (See 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.)
- "Electronic Health Record" means an electronic record of health-related information on an individual that is created, gathered, managed, and consulted by authorized health care clinicians and staff. (See 42 U.S. C. § 17921.)
- "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, electronic media means (1) Electronic storage material on which data is or may be recorded electronically, including, for example, devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the Internet, extranet or intranet, leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media if the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form immediately before the transmission.
- 1.10 "Electronic Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to Protected Health Information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. For the convenience of the parties, Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health

- Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.
- 1.11 "Health Care Operations" has the same meaning as the term "health care operations" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
- 1.12 "Individual" has the same meaning as the term "individual" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. For the convenience of the parties, Individual means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502 (g).
- 1.13 "Law Enforcement Official" has the same meaning as the term "law enforcement official" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.
- 1.14 "Minimum Necessary" refers to the minimum necessary standard at 45 C.F.R. § 162.502 (b).
- "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. For the convenience of the parties, Protected Health Information includes information that (i) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an Individual; the provision of health care to an Individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an Individual; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is created, received, maintained, or transmitted by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, and includes Protected Health Information that is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Protected Health Information.
- 1.16 <u>"Required by Law"</u> " has the same meaning as the term "required by law" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.
- 1.17 "Secretary" has the same meaning as the term "secretary" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103
- 1.18 "Security Incident" has the same meaning as the term "security incident" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.
- 1.19 "Services" means, unless otherwise specified, those functions, activities, or services in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, or Purchase Order or other service arrangement,

- with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.
- 1.20 "Subcontractor" has the same meaning as the term "subcontractor" at 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.
- 1.21 "Unsecured Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "unsecured protected health information" at 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.
- 1.22 "<u>Use</u>" or "<u>Uses</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations. (See 45 C.F.R § 164.103.)
- 1.23 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Business Associate Agreement, have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Rules.

# 2. <u>PERMITTED AND REQUIRED USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION</u>

- 2.1 Business Associate may only Use and/or Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform Services, and/or as necessary to comply with the obligations of this Business Associate Agreement.
- 2.2 Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information for deidentification of the information if de-identification of the information is required to provide Services.
- 2.3 Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information as Required by Law.
- 2.4 Business Associate shall make Uses and Disclosures and requests for Protected Health Information consistent with the Covered Entity's applicable Minimum Necessary policies and procedures.
- 2.5 Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
- 2.6 Business Associate may Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities, provided the Disclosure is Required by Law or Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the Protected Health Information is disclosed (i.e., the recipient) that it will be held confidentially and Used or further

Disclosed only as Required by Law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to the recipient and the recipient notifies Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the Protected Health Information has been breached.

2.7 Business Associate may provide Data Aggregation services relating to Covered Entity's Health Care Operations if such Data Aggregation services are necessary in order to provide Services.

# 3. PROHIBITED USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

- 3.1 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information other than as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement or as Required by Law.
- 3.2 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if done by Covered Entity, except for the specific Uses and Disclosures set forth in Sections 2.5 and 2.6.
- 3.3 Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for de-identification of the information except as set forth in section 2.2.

## 4. OBLIGATIONS TO SAFEGUARD PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

- 4.1 Business Associate shall implement, use, and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.
- 4.2 Business Associate shall comply with Subpart C of 45 C.F.R Part 164 with respect to Electronic Protected Health Information, to prevent the Use or Disclosure of such information other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.
- 5. REPORTING NON-PERMITTED USES OR DISCLOSURES, SECURITY INCIDENTS, AND BREACHES OF UNSECURED PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION
- 5.1 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information not permitted by this Business Associate Agreement, any Security Incident, and/ or any Breach of Unsecured

- Protected Health Information as further described in Sections 5.1.1, 5.1.2, and 5.1.3.
- 5.1.1 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or Subcontractors not provided for by this Agreement of which Business Associate becomes aware.
- 5.1.2 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware.
- 5.1.3 Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity any Breach by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents, workforce members, or Subcontractors of Unsecured Protected Health Information that is known to Business Associate or, by exercising reasonable diligence, would have been known to Business Associate. Business Associate shall be deemed to have knowledge of a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information if the Breach is known, or by exercising reasonable diligence would have been known, to any person, other than the person committing the Breach, who is an employee, officer, or other agent of Business Associate, including a Subcontractor, as determined in accordance with the federal common law of agency.
- 5.2 Except as provided in Section 5.3, for any reporting required by Section 5.1, Business Associate shall provide, to the extent available, all information required by, and within the times frames specified in, Sections 5.2.1 and 5.2.2.
- 5.2.1 Business Associate shall make an <u>immediate telephonic report</u> upon discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information, Security Incident or Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information to **(562) 940-3335** that minimally includes:
  - (a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the nonpermitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach and the date of Discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach, if known;
  - (b) The number of Individuals whose Protected Health Information is involved;
  - (c) A description of the specific type of Protected Health Information involved in the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date

- of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code or other types of information were involved);
- (d) The name and contact information for a person highly knowledgeable of the facts and circumstances of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of PHI, Security Incident, or Breach
- 5.2.2 Business Associate shall make a <u>written report without unreasonable delay</u> and in no event later than three (3) business days from the date of discovery by Business Associate of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information, Security Incident, or Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information and to the Chief HIPAA Privacy Officer at: Chief HIPAA Privacy Officer, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Suite 525, Los Angeles, California 90012, HIPAA@auditor.lacounty.gov, that includes, to the extent possible:
  - (a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the nonpermitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach and the date of Discovery of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach, if known;
  - (b) The number of Individuals whose Protected Health Information is involved:
  - (c) A description of the specific type of Protected Health Information involved in the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code or other types of information were involved);
  - (d) The identification of each Individual whose Unsecured Protected Health Information has been, or is reasonably believed by Business Associate to have been, accessed, acquired, Used, or Disclosed;
  - (e) Any other information necessary to conduct an assessment of whether notification to the Individual(s) under 45 C.F.R. § 164.404 is required;
  - (f) Any steps Business Associate believes that the Individual(s) could take to protect him or herself from potential harm from the non-permitted Use or Disclosure, Security Incident, or Breach;
  - (g) A brief description of what Business Associate is doing to investigate, to mitigate harm to the Individual(s), and to protect against any further similar occurrences; and

- (h) The name and contact information for a person highly knowledgeable of the facts and circumstances of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure of PHI, Security Incident, or Breach.
- 5.2.3 If Business Associate is not able to provide the information specified in Section 5.2.1 or 5.2.2 at the time of the required report, Business Associate shall provide such information promptly thereafter as such information becomes available.
- 5.3 Business Associate may delay the notification required by Section 5.1.3, if a law enforcement official states to Business Associate that notification would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security.
- 5.3.1 If the law enforcement official's statement is in writing and specifies the time for which a delay is required, Business Associate shall delay its reporting and/or notification obligation(s) for the time period specified by the official.
- 5.3.2 If the statement is made orally, Business Associate shall document the statement, including the identity of the official making the statement, and delay its reporting and/or notification obligation(s) temporarily and no longer than 30 days from the date of the oral statement, unless a written statement as described in Section 5.3.1 is submitted during that time.

## 6. WRITTEN ASSURANCES OF SUBCONTRACTORS

- 6.1 In accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502 (e)(1)(ii) and § 164.308 (b)(2), if applicable, Business Associate shall ensure that any Subcontractor that creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of Business Associate is made aware of its status as a Business Associate with respect to such information and that Subcontractor agrees in writing to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to Business Associate with respect to such information.
- 6.2 Business Associate shall take reasonable steps to cure any material breach or violation by Subcontractor of the agreement required by Section 6.1.
- 6.3 If the steps required by Section 6.2 do not cure the breach or end the violation, Contractor shall terminate, if feasible, any arrangement with Subcontractor by which Subcontractor creates, receives, maintains, or transmits Protected Health Information on behalf of Business Associate.

- 6.4 If neither cure nor termination as set forth in Sections 6.2 and 6.3 is feasible, Business Associate shall immediately notify County.
- 6.5 Without limiting the requirements of Section 6.1, the agreement required by Section 6.1 (Subcontractor Business Associate Agreement) shall require Subcontractor to contemporaneously notify Covered Entity in the event of a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information.
- 6.6 Without limiting the requirements of Section 6.1, agreement required by Section 6.1 (Subcontractor Business Associate Agreement) shall include a provision requiring Subcontractor to destroy, or in the alternative to return to Business Associate, any Protected Health Information created, received, maintained, or transmitted by Subcontractor on behalf of Business Associate so as to enable Business Associate to comply with the provisions of Section 18.4.
- 6.7 Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, at Covered Entity's request, a copy of any and all Subcontractor Business Associate Agreements required by Section 6.1.
- 6.8 Sections 6.1 and 6.7 are not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Subcontracts or Subcontracting in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

## 7. ACCESS TO PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

- 7.1 To the extent Covered Entity determines that Protected Health Information is maintained by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall, within two (2) business days after receipt of a request from Covered Entity, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and shall provide such Individuals(s) or other person(s) designated by Covered Entity with a copy the specified Protected Health Information, in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 164.524.
- 7.2 If any Individual requests access to Protected Health Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within two (2) days of the receipt of the request. Whether access shall be provided or denied shall be determined by Covered Entity.

7.3 To the extent that Business Associate maintains Protected Health Information that is subject to access as set forth above in one or more Designated Record Sets electronically and if the Individual requests an electronic copy of such information, Business Associate shall provide the Individual with access to the Protected Health Information in the electronic form and format requested by the Individual, if it is readily producible in such form and format; or, if not, in a readable electronic form and format as agreed to by Covered Entity and the Individual.

## 8. <u>AMENDMENT OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION</u>

- 8.1 To the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information is maintained by Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate shall, within ten (10) business days after receipt of a written request from Covered Entity, make any amendments to such Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity, in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements of 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.
- 8.2 If any Individual requests an amendment to Protected Health Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the receipt of the request. Whether an amendment shall be granted or denied shall be determined by Covered Entity.

# 9. <u>ACCOUNTING OF DISCLOSURES OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION</u>

- 9.1 Business Associate shall maintain an accounting of each Disclosure of Protected Health Information made by Business Associate or its employees, agents, representatives or Subcontractors, as is determined by Covered Entity to be necessary in order to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.
- 9.1.1 Any accounting of disclosures provided by Business Associate under Section 9.1 shall include:
  - (a) The date of the Disclosure;
  - (b) The name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information;
  - (c) A brief description of the Protected Health Information Disclosed;
     and

- (d) A brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure.
- 9.1.2 For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under Section 9.1, Business Associate shall document the information specified in Section 9.1.1, and shall maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure.
- 9.2 Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of a written request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with Section 9.1.1 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528
- 9.3 If any Individual requests an accounting of disclosures directly from Business Associate or its agents or Subcontractors, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the receipt of the request, and shall provide the requested accounting of disclosures to the Individual(s) within 30 days. The information provided in the accounting shall be in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

## 10. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE HIPAA RULES

- 10.1 To the extent Business Associate is to carry out one or more of Covered Entity's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, Business Associate shall comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to Covered Entity's performance of such obligation(s).
- 10.2 Business Associate shall comply with all HIPAA Rules applicable to Business Associate in the performance of Services.

## 11. AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS

- 11.1 Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books, and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information received from, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity available to the Secretary for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations.
- 11.2 Unless prohibited by the Secretary, Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

## 12. MITIGATION OF HARMFUL EFFECTS

12.1 Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Business Associate Agreement that is known to Business Associate.

## 13. BREACH NOTIFICATION TO INDIVIDUALS

- 13.1 Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that there has been a Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or Subcontractors, provide breach notification to the Individual in a manner that permits Covered Entity to comply with its obligations under 45 C.F.R. § 164.404.
- 13.1.1 Business Associate shall notify, subject to the review and approval of Covered Entity, each Individual whose Unsecured Protected Health Information has been, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed, acquired, Used, or Disclosed as a result of any such Breach.
- 13.1.2 The notification provided by Business Associate shall be written in plain language, shall be subject to review and approval by Covered Entity, and shall include, to the extent possible:
  - (a) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the Breach and the date of the Discovery of the Breach, if known;
  - (b) A description of the types of Unsecured Protected Health Information that were involved in the Breach (such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code, or other types of information were involved);
  - (c) Any steps the Individual should take to protect him or herself from potential harm resulting from the Breach;
  - (d) A brief description of what Business Associate is doing to investigate the Breach, to mitigate harm to Individual(s), and to protect against any further Breaches; and
  - (e) Contact procedures for Individual(s) to ask questions or learn additional information, which shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, Web site, or postal address.

- 13.2 Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, may elect to provide the notification required by Section 13.1 and/or to establish the contact procedures described in Section 13.1.2.
- 13.3 Business Associate shall reimburse Covered Entity any and all costs incurred by Covered Entity, in complying with Subpart D of 45 C.F.R. Part 164, including but not limited to costs of notification, internet posting, or media publication, as a result of Business Associate's Breach of Unsecured Protected Health Information; Covered Entity shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by Business Associate in providing the notification required by 13.1 or in establishing the contact procedures required by Section 13.1.2.

## 14. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

- 14.1 Business Associate shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Covered Entity, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), and penalties and/or fines (including regulatory penalties and/or fines), arising from or connected with Business Associate's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Business Associate Agreement, including, but not limited to, compliance and/or enforcement actions and/or activities, whether formal or informal, by the Secretary or by the Attorney General of the State of California.
- 14.2 Section 14.1 is not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Insurance and/or Indemnification in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

## 15. OBLIGATIONS OF COVERED ENTITY

- 15.1 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own Uses and Disclosures accordingly.
- 15.2 Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information in any manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 C.F.R. Part 164 if done by Covered Entity, except

to the extent that Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.5, and 2.6.

## 16. <u>TERM</u>

- 16.1 Unless sooner terminated as set forth in Section 17, the term of this Business Associate Agreement shall be the same as the term of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other service arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.
- 16.2 Notwithstanding Section 16.1, Business Associate's obligations under Sections 11, 14, and 18 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement.

## 17. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

- 17.1 In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, if either party determines that the other party has violated a material term of this Business Associate Agreement, and the breaching party has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by the non-breaching party, which shall be reasonable given the nature of the breach and/or violation, the non-breaching party may terminate this Business Associate Agreement.
- 17.2 In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, if either party determines that the other party has violated a material term of this Business Associate Agreement, and cure is not feasible, the non-breaching party may terminate this Business Associate Agreement immediately.

# 18. <u>DISPOSITION OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION UPON</u> TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION

18.1 Except as provided in Section 18.3, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement, Business Associate shall return or, if agreed to by Covered entity, shall destroy as provided for in Section 18.2, all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on

- behalf of Covered Entity, that Business Associate, including any Subcontractor, still maintains in any form. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.
- 18.2 Destruction for purposes of Section 18.2 and Section 6.6 shall mean that media on which the Protected Health Information is stored or recorded has been destroyed and/or electronic media have been cleared, purged, or destroyed in accordance with the use of a technology or methodology specified by the Secretary in guidance for rendering Protected Health Information unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized individuals.
- 18.3 Notwithstanding Section 18.1, in the event that return or destruction of Protected Health Information is not feasible or Business Associate determines that any such Protected Health Information is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities, Business Associate may retain that Protected Health Information for which destruction or return is infeasible or that Protected Health Information which is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities and shall return or destroy all other Protected Health Information.
- 18.3.1 Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Business Associate Agreement to such Protected Health Information, including continuing to use appropriate safeguards and continuing to comply with Subpart C of 45 C.F.R Part 164 with respect to Electronic Protected Health Information, to prevent the Use or Disclosure of such information other than as provided for in Sections 2.5 and 2.6 for so long as such Protected Health Information is retained, and Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose such Protected Health Information other than for the purposes for which such Protected Health Information was retained.
- 18.3.2 Business Associate shall return or, if agreed to by Covered entity, destroy the Protected Health Information retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for Business Associate's proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities.
- 18.4 Business Associate shall ensure that all Protected Health Information created, maintained, or received by Subcontractors is returned or, if agreed to by Covered entity, destroyed as provided for in Section 18.2.

## 19. AUDIT, INSPECTION, AND EXAMINATION

- 19.1 Covered Entity reserves the right to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, information systems, books, records, agreements, and policies and procedures relating to the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information for the purpose determining whether Business Associate is in compliance with the terms of this Business Associate Agreement and any non-compliance may be a basis for termination of this Business Associate Agreement and the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, as provided for in section 17.
- 19.2 Covered Entity and Business Associate shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing, and location of any such inspection.
- 19.3 At Business Associate's request, and to the extent permitted by law, Covered Entity shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, upon terms and conditions mutually agreed to by the parties.
- 19.4 That Covered Entity inspects, fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect as provided for in Section 19.1 does not relieve Business Associate of its responsibility to comply with this Business Associate Agreement and/or the HIPAA Rules or impose on Covered Entity any responsibility for Business Associate's compliance with any applicable HIPAA Rules.
- 19.5 Covered Entity's failure to detect, its detection but failure to notify Business Associate, or its detection but failure to require remediation by Business Associate of an unsatisfactory practice by Business Associate, shall not constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of Covered Entity's enforcement rights under this Business Associate Agreement or the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.
- 19.6 Section 19.1 is not intended by the parties to limit in any way the scope of Business Associate's obligations related to Inspection and/or Audit and/or similar review in the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.

## 20. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

20.1 <u>Disclaimer.</u> Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Business Associate with the terms and conditions of this

- Business Associate Agreement will be adequate or satisfactory to meet the business needs or legal obligations of Business Associate.
- 20.2 <u>HIPAA Requirements.</u> The Parties agree that the provisions under HIPAA Rules that are required by law to be incorporated into this Amendment are hereby incorporated into this Agreement.
- 20.3 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Business Associate Agreement shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- 20.4 <u>Construction.</u> In the event that a provision of this Business Associate Agreement is contrary to a provision of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order, or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate, the provision of this Business Associate Agreement shall control. Otherwise, this Business Associate Agreement shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of the applicable underlying Agreement, Contract, Master Agreement, Work Order, Purchase Order or other services arrangement, with or without payment, that gives rise to Contractor's status as a Business Associate.
- 20.5 <u>Regulatory References</u>. A reference in this Business Associate Agreement to a section in the HIPAA Rules means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 20.6 <u>Interpretation</u>. Any ambiguity in this Business Associate Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits the parties to comply with the HIPAA Rules.
- 20.7 <u>Amendment</u>. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Business Associate Agreement from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity or Business Associate to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and any other privacy laws governing Protected Health Information.

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## **Medical Health Screening**

All potential Contractor personnel shall complete to the satisfaction of County a medical health screening to determine if the person meets the medical criteria and immunizations standards established for the prospective job classification/assignment before commencing services. The Contractor shall use the DHS Forms and medical health screening methodology provided in the Contractor package.

The medical health screening shall be performed by a physician or other licensed healthcare professional (PLHCP) authorized to perform such a physical screening, with such cost at the expense of the Contractor. If the Contractor chooses to have the DHS Employee Health Services (EHS) perform such assessments and screening and such services are available, the Contractor will be billed for the services regardless if the Contractor's staff passes or fails the screening. Contractor personnel shall present a letter on Contractor letterhead authorizing personnel to obtain the screening from DHS' EHS. DHS EHS will bill the Contractor for the cost and/or deduct the amount from funds owed.

Contractor personnel shall provide DHS EHS with documentation of health screenings and evidence of the absence of communicable diseases using the County's "Health Clearance E2" forms. The forms must be signed by a healthcare provider attesting all information is true and accurate OR workforce member may supply all required source documents to DHS Employee Health Services to be verified.

The Contractor must provide DHS EHS with the source documents for review within four (4) hours of a request. Source documents pertaining to the pre-employment health evaluation, Tuberculosis, Respiratory Fit Testing, and other immunizations will be maintained by the Contractor. Failure to provide appropriate source documentation of health screenings/clearance will result in immediate release from assignment and there will be no further placement of Contractor's personnel until compliant.

DHS Facility Staff are required to ensure the Contractor personnel receives the appropriate documents; has submitted them to the facility EHS and has obtained health clearance prior to beginning the work assignment.

No person will be allowed to work at anytime inside a DHS medical facility without appropriate documentation of health screening. In those instances where persons have no demonstrated immunity, and have refused vaccination, a waiver to that effect must be obtained and on file. Lack of immunity to certain diseases will restrict assignment locations within the hospital.

All Contractor personnel who have potential exposure to respiratory hazards and/ or aerosol transmissible disease shall provide appropriate documentation of a respiratory fit test on the same make, model, style, and size of respirator that will be used in facility. If indicated, this requirement is mandatory annually.

## **Medical Health Screening**

Per County policy, Contractor personnel are required to comply with annual health screening. Unless provided for per contract, Contractor personnel shall have their PLHCP conduct the assessment in accordance with County policy and procedures. This documentation is the "E2 Health Clearance". The workforce member will be provided with the necessary documentation for completion and submission to their PLHCP. The PLHCP will complete the documents and submit them to the Contractor, as appropriate, with the completed forms.

Contractor personnel will be given a 30-day reminder to comply with annual health screening requirements. Contractor personnel who do not comply with annual or other health screening requirements may be given a letter indicating they have five (5) days to comply or face release from assignment. A copy of the "letter" will be provided to the Contractor personnel's supervisor for action. Failure to provide documentation of health screening/clearance will result in immediate release from assignment and no further placement until compliant.

Emergency services will be provided post-exposure to Contractor personnel who have potential exposure to occupational hazards within the allowable time frames, but will be billed to the Contractor, as appropriate. Contractor personnel who are exposed to occupational hazard or incur injury while performing their duties for the County will be reported on the OSHA Log 300/301, as required by state and federal regulation and guidelines.

In the event of an occupational needlestick injury or other exposure to Contractor personnel to blood and body fluids or airborne contaminants, medical care will be provided by the DHS EHS or Emergency Room, but will be billed to the Contractor, as appropriate. Contractor personnel may go to the facility DHS EHS or the designated department for initial care within the allowable treatment time frames. Cost of initial treatment will be billed to the Contractor, as appropriate. Subsequent follow-up treatment will be conducted through the appropriate agency's medical provider or the employee's personal physician. If Contractor chooses to have the DHS EHS provide subsequent follow-up care, the Contractor will be billed accordingly.

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## 2.206.010 Findings and declarations.

The Board of Supervisors finds that significant revenues are lost each year as a result of taxpayers who fail to pay their tax obligations on time. The delinquencies impose an economic burden upon the County and its taxpayers. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors establishes the goal of ensuring that individuals and businesses that benefit financially from contracts with the County fulfill their property tax obligation. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

#### 2.206.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or combination thereof, which submits a bid or proposal or enters into a contract or agreement with the County. B. "County" shall mean the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body.
- C. "County Property Taxes" shall mean any property tax obligation on the County's secured or unsecured roll; except for tax obligations on the secured roll with respect to property held by a Contractor in a trust or fiduciary capacity or otherwise not beneficially owned by the Contractor.
- D. "Department" shall mean the County department, entity, or organization responsible for the solicitation and/or administration of the contract.
- E. "Default" shall mean any property tax obligation on the secured roll that has been deemed defaulted by operation of law pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 3436; or any property tax obligation on the unsecured roll that remains unpaid on the applicable delinquency date pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2922; except for any property tax obligation dispute pending before the Assessment Appeals Board. F. "Solicitation" shall mean the County's process to obtain bids or proposals for goods and services.
- G. "Treasurer-Tax Collector" shall mean the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

#### 2.206.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to all solicitations issued 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. This chapter shall also apply to all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts entered into 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

### 2.206.040 Required solicitation and contract language.

All solicitations and all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts shall contain language which:

- A. Requires any Contractor to keep County Property Taxes out of Default status at all times during the term of an awarded contract;
- B. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may prevent the Contractor from being awarded a new contract; and
- C. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may constitute a material breach of an existing contract, and failure to cure the breach within 10 days of notice by the County by paying the outstanding County Property Tax or making payments in a manner agreed to and approved by the Treasurer-Tax Collector, may subject the contract to suspension and/or termination. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

## 2.206.050 Administration and compliance certification.

- A. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall, with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Internal Services, and County Counsel, issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other departments.
- B. Contractor shall be required to certify, at the time of submitting any bid or proposal to the County, or entering into any new contract, or renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract with the County, that it is in compliance with this chapter is not in Default on any County Property Taxes or is current in payments due under any approved payment arrangement. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

### 2.206.060 Exclusions/Exemptions.

- A. This chapter shall not apply to the following contracts:
- 1. Chief Executive Office delegated authority agreements under \$50,000:
- 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor;
- 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract;
- 4. A contract where state or federal monies are used to fund service related programs, including but not limited to voucher programs, foster care, or other social programs that provide immediate direct assistance;
- 5. Purchase orders under a master agreement, where the Contractor was certified at the time the master agreement was entered into and at any subsequent renewal, extension and/or amendment to the master agreement.
- 6. Purchase orders issued by Internal Services Department under \$100,000 that is not the result of a competitive bidding process.
- 7. Program agreements that utilize Board of Supervisors' discretionary funds;
- 8. National contracts established for the purchase of equipment and supplies for and by the National Association of Counties, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or any similar related group purchasing organization:
- 9. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-3700 or a successor provision;
- 10. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, section 4.6.0 or a successor provision;
- 11. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-2810 or a successor provision;
- 12. A non-agreement purchase worth a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section A-0300 or a successor provision; or 13. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual section P-0900 or a successor provision;

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- 14. Other contracts for mission critical goods and/or services where the Board of Supervisors determines that an exemption is justified.
- B. Other laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any Contractor in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

#### 2.206.070 Enforcement and remedies.

- A. The information furnished by each Contractor certifying that it is in compliance with this chapter shall be under penalty of perjury.
- B. No Contractor shall willfully and knowingly make a false statement certifying compliance with this chapter for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a County contract.
- C. For Contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the County department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:
- 1. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
- 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor; and/or,
- 3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an exemption is justified pursuant to Section 2.206.060.A.14 of this chapter or payment deferral as provided pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

### 2.206.080 Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)